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Northwest family and community mingle at the Joyce and Havey White International Plaza. This new addition to campus was dedicated during Homecoming weekend. The 54 international flags were raised according to U.N. protocol, with the help of students and faculty from Northwest. Each flag represented students who had attended or were attending Northwest Missouri State University. The flag walk was under construction for five months and was funded by donations from the Whites, community members and other alumni. The flag walk was to be a symbol that Northwest was part of a global community and would be influenced by that community. *Photos by Sarah Phipps*

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DESPITE THE DARKNESS, lights shine brightly on the friends wall of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza. The wall displayed names of individuals who donated money to the project and the five clocks displayed the time of five cities in different time zones. *Photo by Jason Myers*



THE FAMILIAR TABLES and trees that used to stand outside of the west entrance to the J.W. Jones Union were removed to make way for the new upper level outdoor eating area and entrance. The completion of the union renovations were expected to be done in the fall of 2000. *Photo by Amy Roh*



A CAR SEARCHES for a parking space at 10:50 a.m. in the parking lot behind Valk Agricultural and Professional Science building. The parking issue was a hot topic among commuters and residents because of the lack of parking spaces. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



e were not surprised to see everyone reacting differently to the events occurring around us.



Most of the **J.W.JONES UNION**

was closed due to remodeling, and while residents in Hudson, Roberta and Perrin halls found accessing campus dining establishments inconvenient,

those living in the high rises could finally eat without having to walk across campus.

The addition of 1,123 freshman bumped school enrollment up to 6,294 and **INCREASED THE RATIO OF FEMALES TO MALES**, causing a challenge for residential life coordinators when assigning residence hall rooms.

Hudson and Dieterich halls merged from only housing one sex into coed halls.



The residence hall changes sparked extra complaints about parking. One hundred spaces in the commuter lot behind the Valk Agricultural and Professional Science building were converted from commuter spaces to resident spaces, but later, Director of Campus Safety Clarence Green agreed to return 50 of the spaces back to commuters.

A \$250,000 donation from a Nashville couple helped transform blueprints for an international plaza into a reality. The Joyce and Harvey White

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International Plaza, **WATER PAVILION**

and renovated Kissing Bridge were dedicated with special ceremonies on Walkout Day, only five months after ground was broken for the project. We questioned the rush to finish the project when so many areas on campus needed attention.



Our problems and concerns were not just focused on Maryville. Kenneth Starr's investigation of President Bill Clinton led to possible impeachment proceedings. While we did not agree with Clinton's actions, we were satisfied with his overall job performance.

Our hearts went out to Matthew Shepard, a college student from Wyoming who was beaten to death. It was believed that Shepard was targeted by his attackers because he was gay. We realized that even though we lived in a small-midwestern town, we too were susceptible to hate crimes.

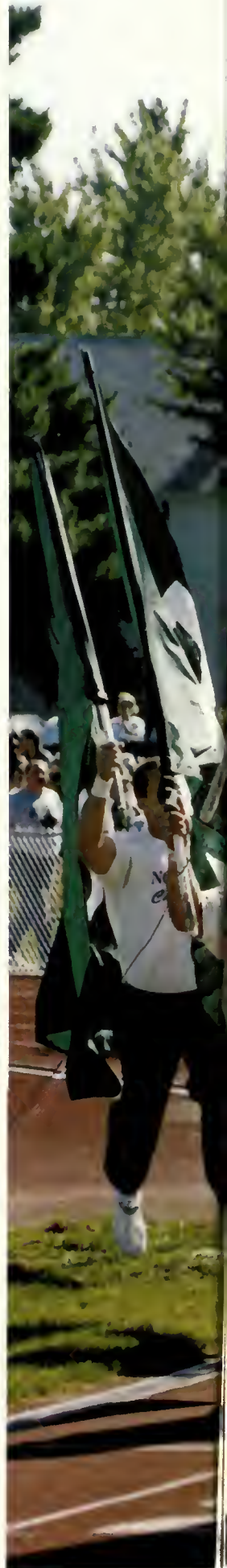


We participated in **THE WEEK WITHOUT VIOLENCE** by wearing special ribbons, attending bell ringings, vigils and other programs to show support for victims of hate crime.

How did we react to everything? The answer was different depending on the perspective of the person.



We were indeed **UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS**, with diverse views created by our upbringings, morals and experiences.





THE OPENING OF every home football game consisted of getting the crowd pumped and ready to cheer on the Bearcats. Before each game began, the cheerleaders ritually ran around the track with flags to exhibit Northwest pride. *Photo by Amy Roh*

NUMEROUS AWARDS WERE awarded to the Phi Mus at the Bobbys, the Homecoming awards ceremony, some of which included overall parade supremacy and overall clown. The Phi Mus teamed up with Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia for the Variety Show skit, and won The People's Choice award. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AS CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES in South Complex, old desks, closets and mattresses are piled up outside of the building. The plans for South were to build loft apartments to give upper-classmen an alternative to moving off campus. *Photo by Amy Roh*

FOREGROUND

When we took a first look at the campus and tried to figure out what was important, we only saw the obvious aspects of the big picture.

We noticed groups on campus and wondered what each believed in. A closer look revealed that Greeks stepped away from tradition to try new things during **GREEK WEEK** and Rush.



Physical changes to the campus such as the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza and J.W. Jones Union renovations were easy to see. The plaza showed us how the University fit into the global picture when international guests from Turkey, Mexico and Argentina helped us celebrate the dedication on Walkout Day. Less evident was how busy we were the week of Homecoming, since the activities were planned concurrently with a week of midterm exams.

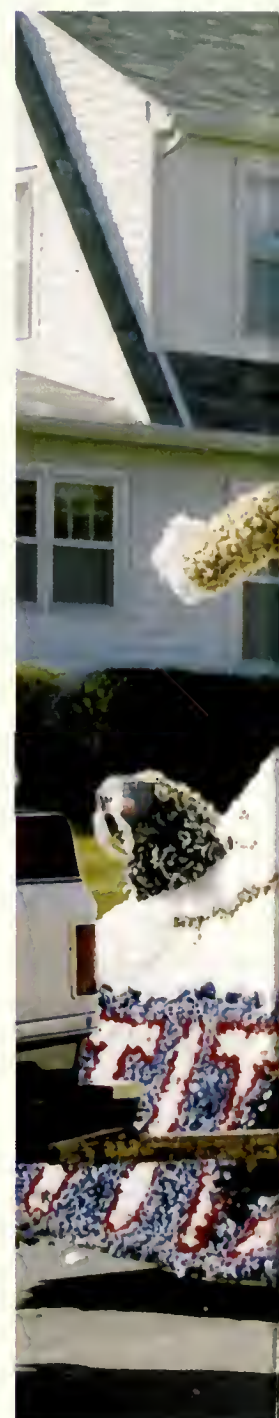
Entertainment offered to us on campus was undisguised because the events were fun and gave alternatives for a night out that did not have to include going to the bars. Encore events taught us about magic with "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

We eagerly anticipated what would happen as the **BEARCAT FOOTBALL TEAM** began its season ranked ninth in the nation, giving us high hopes that the team would make it to the postseason for the third consecutive year.



While new majors and minors were added to our curriculum, we explored the successes of alumni who went through our same fields of study.

What we saw in the foreground was not as important as what we discovered about ourselves when we learned that what once seemed obvious went beyond first impressions.





THE PHI SIGMA Kappa float makes its way down Fourth Street. Spectators saw the foreground of the parade, made up of floats, clowns and marching bands, rather than the people who worked hard prior to the event.
Photo by Laura Prichard





Homecoming Enjoyment

While watching the Homecoming parade, Lynn Heying, Mandy Gundlach, Janet Johnson and Kalie Ficenec discuss the weekend's events. Homecoming was a tradition since 1946. Different events included the Variety Show, the parade, organizations building house decorations and the football game. *Photo by Jason Myers*

Year starts smoothly with extra planning

by Jason Hoke

Getting the campus ready for over 1,123 freshmen and even more returning and transfer students took hard work and efforts from many people.

One of the main projects was getting residence halls ready. That began with the hiring of the resident assistants in early spring.

After the RAs were hired, they went through an intensive training program.

"Training was done in different levels," Residential Life Coordinator Betty Dye said. "It began in early August and lasted for 10 days. We had staff workshops that met twice a month through the fall, and the individual hall directors sponsored staff development sessions."

Training was a big part of making sure the RAs were prepared.

"There was a lot of information given out in lecture form," Dye said. "We taught them leadership, skill building, listening skills, counseling skills and about confrontation and roommate mediation."

"Building Bridges" was a program that the RAs and some faculty and administrators participated in to bring the community and campus together.

"We had done community service for five years," Dye said. "(The idea) came from a professional conference in Milwaukee. Initially it was designed to build bridges between the community and campus, but we also involved university administration, and we are now starting to go to the faculty level. In 1998 we had two faculty members that participated, and this was the first time for that."

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Convocation

by Kimberley Mansfield

As Advantage 1998 events ended, new students began to discover what college life was all about.

Convocation, which was new to the Advantage Week schedule, allowed new students to meet with faculty and student leaders of the University. Provost Tim Gilmour, Student Senate President Angel McAdams, Vice President of Student Affairs Kent Porterfield and President Dean Hubbard were among the leaders introduced to students. Each gave a speech welcoming students to college life and telling of the opportunities that lay ahead.

In welcoming students, the presenters gave examples of the successes of Northwest graduates.

"It was inspiring to know the successes of graduates," Kristy Youtsey said. "The program was helpful to me."

Porterfield hoped that Convocation would become an annual event and hoped the program would help students prioritize and learn to treat school as a full-time job.

"Every student can be successful at Northwest if you put forth the effort," Porterfield said.

At the end of the ceremony, a spirit pin was given to each student to help them remember success was in their hands.



MEMBERS OF THE Northwest Jazz Ensemble perform at the Jazz Feast. The Jazz Feast was a time for freshmen to enjoy music and food. Photo by Rhonda Rushton





FRESHMEN JEREMY HENDERSON and his dad, Mike, work to build a loft in his North Complex room. Jeremy arrived early to move in and adjust to college life. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



IN THE FIRST stages of preparing for verification Chad Dressen, Mike Greiner and Gustavo Lazarte move packaged books into the University Conference Center. It took a lot of preparation for the University to get ready for the arrival of students. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

AT A DAY of cleaning at the Headstart building, Marisa Magaña works on cleaning one of the many Headstart vans. The resident assistants spent a day doing community service around Maryville as part of their training. *Photo by Jason Hoke*



BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS resident assistant Jay Morrison, hall director Kristine Pfeffer and RA Meena Ewing stage possible situations they might encounter throughout the year. In this situation Morrison was drinking in his room and hiding Pfeffer in his closet. *Photo by Amy Roh*



TO LEND A hand to the community, Dan Seyer and Jamie Gaston spend the day painting the Nodaway Humane Society building. This was just one of the projects that the new resident assistants did to promote community service. *Photo by Jason Hoke*

AS PART OF Advantage Week, resident assistant trainee Jamie Britz participates in leadership building activities. The resident assistants used teamwork in order to get one group from one side of the rope to the other without touching the rope. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Year starts smoothly with extra planning



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One of the faculty members who participated was Dave McLaughlin. McLaughlin was a member of Maryville Citizens for Community Actions, the community organization that Residence Hall Association worked with.

"I was quite pleased with the students," McLaughlin said. "The hardest part was keeping people busy. We had more people than work. They did a wonderful job."

With the construction on campus, some of the people who usually worked on clean up and repair in the halls were busy in other areas. That meant RAs had to help more to get their halls ready.

"We had areas that we had not used that we had

to get ready," Dye said. "The RAs really pulled together and did things that would be considered above and beyond."

The freshmen attended events like hypnotist Dr. Jim Wand, speaker Dr. Bertice Berry, comedian Buzz Sutherland and a pancake breakfast.

Textbook services was another area at Northwest that played an important part in getting freshmen and returning students ready for classes.

Five days before verification, they began to pack up books that the students would pick up. They had to pack up books for about 3,600 schedules.

With RAs ready, textbooks bagged and students moved into their halls, the preparations that took months payed off as a new academic year began.

Dr. Bertice Berry

by Kimberly Mansfield

Freshmen filed into Bearcat Arena not knowing what to expect from Dr. Bertice Berry's presentaion.

Berry was a motivational speaker who also entertained her audience with a sense of humor.

This was Berry's second performance at Northwest.

"The staff wanted her to speak to the school," Counseling Center Director Liz Wood said. "She was definitely worth hearing again. She had a serious message, but she was also funny."

Her message to students was to make college a good experience. Berry challenged the crowd to find experiences other than drinking in college. She urged the crowd to attend cultural events and other events in college life and to examine them.

"An unexamined life is not worth living," Berry said.

Berry asked questions that made the students examine their lives. She posed questions to the audience, then allowed the students to question her.

As Berry finished, many students stood to applaud her.

Sarah McFarland appreciated the message behind Berry's presentation.

"It was exactly what I needed to hear," McFarland said. "I was glad she came."

Many of the students who did not know what to expect walked out of the auditorium smiling.

"She was very insightful," Brad Smith said. "She turned bad things around and saw them differently. I would probably see her again if she came back."

Staff members confirmed what they knew from Berry's previous visit.

"She was a wonderful speaker," Wood said.



ON THE THIRD night of Advantage Week, freshmen attended Dr. Bertice Berry's lecture. Berry talked about the importance of staying in school. Photo by Amy Roh

Athletic teams thrive on

fan support

by Brad Brentlinger

To sports fans across America, nothing was more satisfying than attending a sporting event of their favorite team. To the athletes of those teams, nothing was more satisfying than to look out into the stands and see them filled with fans cheering them on to victory.

The fans were often an overlooked part of sports, but as long as they attended games, they would always be appreciated. Since he began attending Northwest, Troy Smith had been to many Bearcat football games. A football fan his whole life, Smith said he knew the fans made a difference.

"Even though away games were harder to attend, I made it a point to go to every home game," Smith said. "I realized it could not have been easy for those football players to run up and down the field, going all out for an entire game. If the fans' presence on the field assisted our team in victory, then I felt it was well worth the effort."

Basketball player Becky Wheeler appreciated athletes from other sports who supported them.

"The football team was great about coming out to support us," Wheeler said. "They were usually at our games, and of course we had the cheerleaders at every game too. Another big supporter for us

was the men's basketball team. We tried to catch at least a half of their game, and in return, they tried to see as much of our games as they could."

Softball coach Pam Knox felt that good fan turnout was a direct result of a team's play.

"We encouraged our athletes to play sharp for the fans," Knox said. "When we played double-headers, they could take as long as three hours, so we tried to do as much as we could to keep the fans in the stands cheering us on."

The athletes at Northwest appreciated fan support, whether it was standing room only or just a few spectators, while the fans appreciated the athletes for giving them something to cheer for.

Bobby Bearcat Fan Club

by Brad Brentlinger

Northwest expanded into the community by starting the Bobby Bearcat Fan Club.

When children became members, they received a Bobby Bearcat coloring book, bumper stickers, a patch, Bobby Bearcat trading cards, and an autographed Bobby Bearcat certificate.

The program was designed for children ages 10 and younger, and there was no cost to join. Every month, the members with birthdays in that month had their name put into a hat. The winners of the drawings had the option on their birthday to either tour the Northwest athletic facilities with Bobby Bearcat, or have Bobby himself go to their house on their birthday with cake and balloons.

This program was started in the fall and hoped to gain new members as it continued. Cheerleader Jacob DiPietre suggested the idea to John Yates, the Northwest cheerleading coach. They held a meeting with Athletic Promoter Matt Symonds and Director of Communications/Marketing Ken White and were able to work out an agreement. The funding for the program came out of the cheerleading budget, public relations budget, and the athletic budget.

The fan club was aimed directly at children in the community in an attempt to embrace the residents of Nodaway county and get them more involved in Northwest activities.





DECORATED FANS MICKEY Murray, Joel Wald and Jeremy Schultz celebrate another Bearcat touchdown during the second half of the Homecoming game against the University of Missouri-Rolla. The painted fans originally spelled "BEAR" with "CATS" painted on their backs but the letter "E" left the game early. *Photo by Amy Roh*

TOUCHDOWN BEARCATS, FANS at the Homecoming game against the University of Missouri-Rolla cheer for another touchdown. Fans played an integral part in every sporting event. *Photo by Jason Myers*



AT A FOOTBALL game Troy McDaniels cheers on the Bearcats. McDaniels painted his face and wore a green and white hat to every home game. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

Next Exit- Midwest

Illinois
Chicago
Attractions
Sears Tower
Museum of Science and Industry
John G. Shedd Aquarium
Brookfield Zoo
Six Flags Amusement Park

Navy Pier
The Second City
Shopping
The Magnificent Mile
The Loop
Water Tower Place
River East Plaza

Sports
Chicago Cubs
Chicago White Sox
Chicago Bulls
Chicago Bears
Chicago Blackhawks

Clubs
Excalibur's
Buddy Guy's Legends
Pockets

Iowa
Council Bluffs
De Soto National Wildlife Refuge

Casinos
Harvey's Casino
Ameristar Casino

Des Moines
Attractions
Living History Farms
Adventureland
Botanical Center

Clubs

Funny Bone
Pumper's
Generations
The Garden
Court Avenue

Restaurants

Chip's
Cheddar's
Noah's
Stella's Diner
Java Joe's

Ames

Iowa State University's VEISHEA

Des Moines to Iowa City

Amana Colonies

Wineries/breweries

Millstream Brewing Co.
Sandstone Winery

Der Weinkeller
Restaurants
Ox Yoke Inn
Ronneburg Restaurant
Colony Inn Restaurant

Davenport

Riverboats

The President
The Boatworks
Lady Luck Casino

Kansas
Topeka
NHRA/NASCAR Race Track
World Famous Topeka Zoo

Wichita

Mid-America All-Indian Center
Museum
Old Town
Station Square

Missouri

Kansas City

Attractions

Kansas City Zoological Gardens
Worlds of Fun and Oceans of Fun
Nelson Atkins Art Gallery
Kemper Museum of Contemporary
Art and Design
Kansas City Art Museum

Clubs

Harpo
Atlantis
Kelly's

Comedy Sportz

Restaurants

Canyon Cafe
Houston's
Cheesecake Factory
Tanner's
St. Louis Bread Company
D' Bronx

Shopping

The Plaza
Westport
Crown Center

Sports

Kansas City Blades
Kansas City Chiefs
Kansas City Wizards

Casinos

Station Casino
Harrah's Casino
Flamingo Casino
Argosy Casino

Branson

Silver Dollar City

St. Joseph

St. Joe Frontier Casino

Restaurants

Applebee's
Red Lobster

St. Louis

Attractions

The Arch
Six Flags
St. Louis Zoo
Science Center

Tour Anheuser Busch

Sports

St. Louis Rams

St. Louis Cardinals

Shopping

Union Station

Restaurants

Hard Rock Cafe
Planet Hollywood

Clubs

Funny Bone

A.J.'s at Adam's Mark Hotel

Club Utopia

The Landing

Lake of the Ozarks

Resorts

Arrowhead Lodge
Jonathon's Landing
Sunset Resort
Tantara

Nebraska

Omaha

Shopping

Old Market

One Pacific Place

Rookbrook Village

Westroads Mall

Oak View Mall

Attractions

Henry Dorley Zoo

Ark-Sar-Ben Aquarium

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Shopping

Nebraska Crossing Outlet Mall

Lincoln

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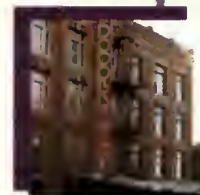
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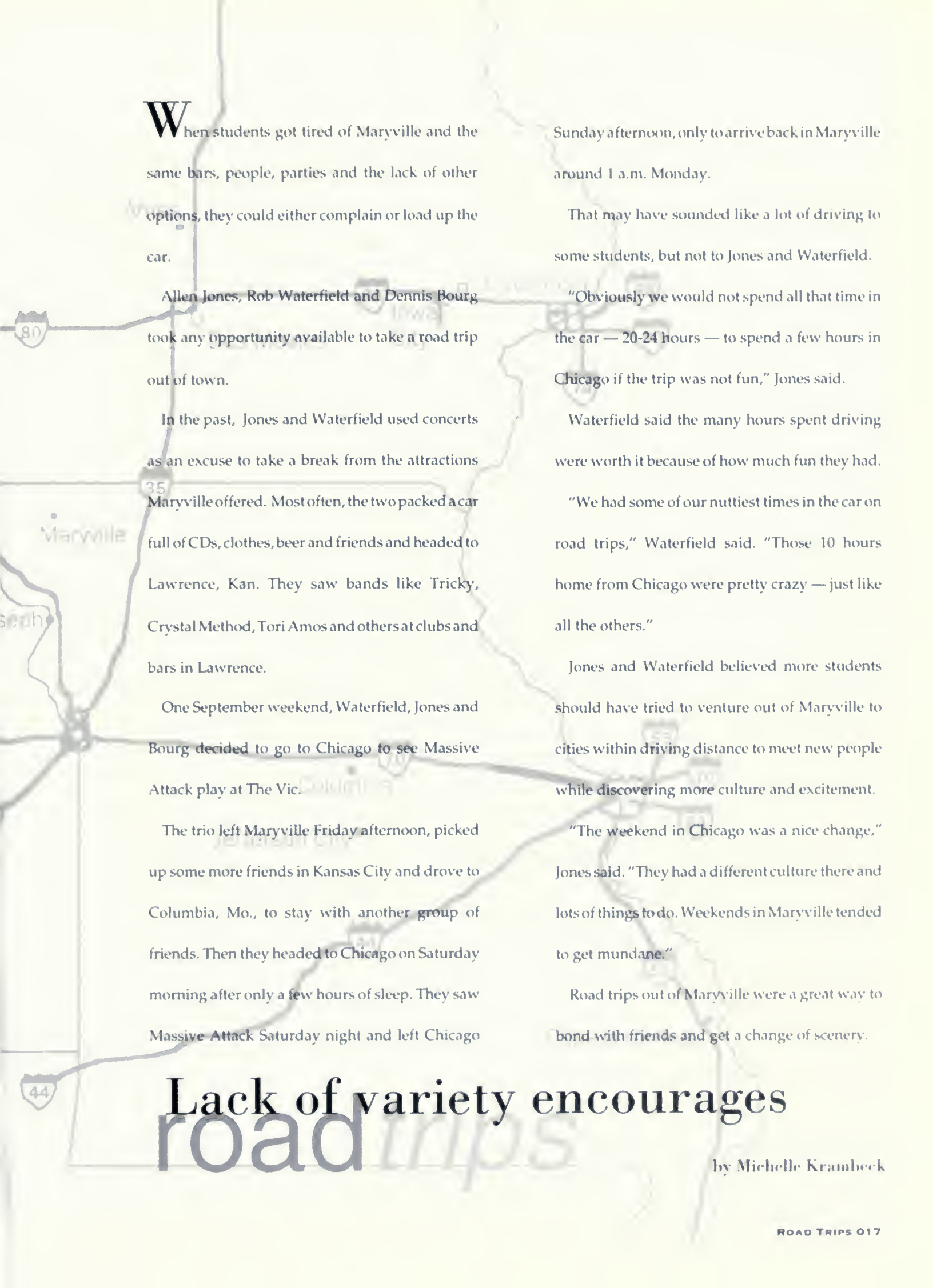


THE PLAZA



OLD MARKET

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When students got tired of Maryville and the same bars, people, parties and the lack of other options, they could either complain or load up the car.

Allen Jones, Rob Waterfield and Dennis Bourg took any opportunity available to take a road trip out of town.

In the past, Jones and Waterfield used concerts as an excuse to take a break from the attractions Maryville offered. Most often, the two packed a car full of CDs, clothes, beer and friends and headed to Lawrence, Kan. They saw bands like Tricky, Crystal Method, Tori Amos and others at clubs and bars in Lawrence.

One September weekend, Waterfield, Jones and Bourg decided to go to Chicago to see Massive Attack play at The Vic.

The trio left Maryville Friday afternoon, picked up some more friends in Kansas City and drove to Columbia, Mo., to stay with another group of friends. Then they headed to Chicago on Saturday morning after only a few hours of sleep. They saw Massive Attack Saturday night and left Chicago

Sunday afternoon, only to arrive back in Maryville around 1 a.m. Monday.

That may have sounded like a lot of driving to some students, but not to Jones and Waterfield.

"Obviously we would not spend all that time in the car — 20-24 hours — to spend a few hours in Chicago if the trip was not fun," Jones said.

Waterfield said the many hours spent driving were worth it because of how much fun they had.

"We had some of our nuttiest times in the car on road trips," Waterfield said. "Those 10 hours home from Chicago were pretty crazy — just like all the others."

Jones and Waterfield believed more students should have tried to venture out of Maryville to cities within driving distance to meet new people while discovering more culture and excitement.

"The weekend in Chicago was a nice change," Jones said. "They had a different culture there and lots of things to do. Weekends in Maryville tended to get mundane."

Road trips out of Maryville were a great way to bond with friends and get a change of scenery.

Lack of variety encourages road trips

by Michelle Krambeck

Greeks produce a more structured rush

by Jason Hoke

With a more structured, formal rush and a cut back on the balloons and streamers, the Northwest Greek system kicked off the fall rush.

After the 1998 spring rush, there had been some discussion in the fraternities about changing rush.

"I spoke to the National Interfraternity Council which was the governing body of all Interfraternity Councils across the country," Campus Activities Director Bryan Vanosdale said. "They gave me some insight and steered me to a couple of schools that had a comparable Greek system and, especially, fraternity system to what we had here."

Fraternity rush became more structured and got away from having an open style. The fraternities also included an aspect that the sororities used in their rush, a rush adviser. This was a person who disassociated themselves from their fraternity and was there to answer questions rush-ees might have had about certain fraternities.

Part of fraternity rush involved going to the individual fraternity houses and seeing what fraternity life was like.

When the structure of the fraternity rush changed, it was only

natural for the sorority rush to undergo a change.

This decision to restructure sorority rush came from the National Panhellenic Council a few years ago. With the no-frills rush, sororities cut their budgets as well as some of the songs, dances, balloons, streamers and all the hoopla of rush.

The Panhellenic council thought 1998 would be a good year to start the new rush.

"We decided that with all the construction on campus and with rooms not available in the Union that it would be a good time to implement the no-frills rush," Panhellenic President Jennifer Simler said. "It may have seemed that Northwest was behind, but some schools down south still had

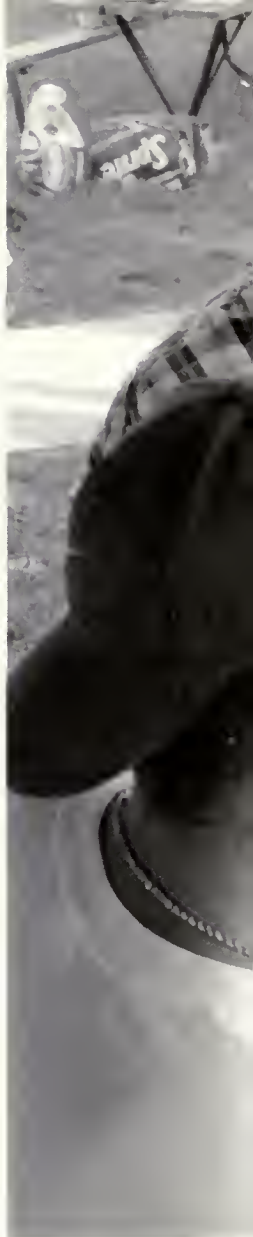
huge budgets for rush. Our budgets were cut from \$1,200 or \$1,300 to \$600."

The sororities also included a scholarship, sisterhood and philanthropy day, so rushees could get to know the sororities on a personal level.

New rush practices aside, fraternities and sororities achieved the thing they strived for each year. They gained new members with whom the actives became brothers and sisters.



AS THEY BOWL at Bearcat Lanes, Sean Duvall waits for his ball as Ryan Geiter gets ready for his next turn. This rush event was one of the activities Delta Sigma Phi held to promote brotherhood. Photo by Jason Myers





AFTER A GAME of football, Ryan Dold, Sigma Phi Epsilon rush chair, talks with rushees Nick Wills, Brock Thomas, Jamie Hall and Darrin Osborn about the day's events. Another rush event was a fraternity barbecue where members and rushees could get to know each other better. *Photo by Jason Myers*

DELTA SIGMA PHI member Spurgeon Williams tries his hand at putting at a rush week luncheon. The rushees walked from room to room playing miniature golf. *Photo by Jason Myers*

AFTER WALKING THROUGH the doors of the University Conference Center, Missy Bitter is greeted by her new Phi Mu sisters, Pam Abild, Alisha Hyatt and Kendra Dunlap. The sororities waited for their new sisters outside while rushees received their bids. *Photo Amy Roh*

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MEMBERS OF THE Second City discuss how they got their start in comedy and their future plans. The Second City had theatres in Chicago, Detroit and Toronto. *Photo by Amy Roh*



GREG MILLS LISTENS to his fellow actors' responses during a press conference following their performance. Members of The Second City rewarded the audience with an encore performance. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

AFTER THE SHOW, Martin Garcia jokes with his Second City castmates. The comedy troupe had rehearsed skits as well as improvisational skits based on audience input. *Photo by Amy Roh*



TROUPEAD-LIBSCOMEDY

by Lisa Huse

"I've told Chelsea not to bring her roommate home from Stanford in fear that you will straddle her." — A skit depicting Bill and Hillary Clinton

company in Chicago. Acts during the performance ranged from popular acts from The Second City's mainstage productions in Chicago, Detroit and Toronto, to skits invented by the troupe.

The audience got many samples of what The Second City was known for: improvisational comedy.

During a "Jeopardy" game, a cast member dressed as Alex Trebec prompted the audience for categories and answers while cast members dressed as Johnny Appleseed, Carol Channing and Ginger Spice improvised questions.

Troy McDaniels participated by shouting out suggestions and later got a

The Second City presented a night of both rehearsed and improvisational comedy skits at the Mary L i n n Performing Arts Center.

The troupe was based from the main Second City

special treat when the cast improvised and sang a song about him.

The cast asked him what he used to want to be when he grew up.

"I could not really think of

what to say, so I just said, 'fireman,'" McDaniels said. "So they just started going on about me being a fireman."

The song impressed McDaniels, since they came up with it right after he answered their question.

Although cast member Samantha Mednick did not know much about improvisational comedy when she got involved with The Second City, she

soon realized that improvisational comedy was as fun to perform as it was to watch.

"It was so much fun," Mednick said. "It felt almost wrong to have had this much fun for a job."

The evening's entertainment was enjoyable for the audience and the traveling performers.

"We make shit up, kind of like what you guys do in class." — Improvisational theater explained by Greg Mills

"Should or shouldn't tasty nubians ovulate?" — Topic suggested by the audience and debated by the cast



Higher student ratio induces hall changes

by Debbie Bacon

Confusion was the scene across campus as renovations and a high female to male ratio sparked changes in residence halls. Dieterich, Perrin and Hudson all received resident makeovers.

Dieterich, formally an all-male residence hall, was made coed in the fall when the top two floors were changed to female.

Mary Jane Miller of Residential Life had a large role in determining student placement.

"I had over 50 female contracts sitting here I could not place anywhere," Miller said. "Dieterich was going to be coed in a few years; it just happened sooner than we expected."

Dieterich was chosen to help house some of the extra women after Miller noticed the small number of males already placed on the sixth and seventh floors and moved them to other locations on campus. Because of this change, the campus no longer hosted any all-male halls.

Marisa Magaña said some of the girls had problems living in a building equipped for males, and some of the girls had asked if they could put plants in the urinals so they would not feel so uncomfortable.

A planned reopening of Perrin occurred in fall 1998. Three out of the four floors were opened to female residents.

Hudson, formally an all-female

residence hall, turned coed. This change, unlike Dieterich, was planned in advance.

Jim Meyer was happy with his stay in Hudson, yet admitted that he had mixed feelings at first.

"My room was not too bad, but the thing that scared me was that the sanitary dispensers were in our bathroom for a month," Meyer said. "I was really happy to see them taken down. It made me uncomfortable to look at them everyday."

After the initial shock of different living arrangements wore off, students appeared content and ready for their next residence hall adventure.

Humorous Floor Rules

1923: (Rules for the women's dormitory)

- Money and jewelry should be left in the care of the Housemother and should not be kept in bedrooms.
- Men and boys are not allowed above the basement floor, elsewhere than the parlors, unless accompanied by the Housemother.
- Students leaving the hall in the evening or for home must register at the desk.
- Students must keep their rooms in good order and ready for inspection from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Students must respond promptly to the bell for dinner.

1949: (Rules for the women's dormitory)

- Quiet hours begin at 8 p.m. except on Friday and Saturday nights, when the hours begin at 11 p.m. All typing should cease after 10:30 p.m.
- Showers are not to be taken before 6:30 a.m. and after 11 p.m., except on Friday and Saturday night when the latter hour is extended until 11:30 p.m. On Sunday morning, showers should be taken after 8:30 a.m. only.
- There is a room inspection at intervals, and if the rooms are in a chronic state of disorder, a fine will be deducted from the room deposit.
- Beds should be made by 8 a.m. and must be made by 1 p.m.
- The house closes at 10:30 p.m. each night except Friday and Saturday, when the closing hour is 11 p.m. (Remember, at this time, the students did not have keys to the halls.)
- Women students must not go to men's rooming houses or to fraternity houses unless chaperoned by a person acceptable to the Dean of Women.
- A gong is rang to signify meals. A seating chart is made up each two weeks by the Night Chaperone and residents are expected to sit in their assigned places except over the weekend.

Found in the archives of the B.D. Owens Library in old University pamphlets





MALE AND FEMALE students return to Hudson Hall after their 10 a.m. classes. Hudson had to be opened up to males because of lack of space due to construction in South Complex. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



RESIDENT ASSISTANTS CHECK in male and female students in the basement of Hudson Hall. This was the first time in the hall's 32-year history that men were permitted to reside there. *Photo by Amy Roh*



JAMIE GASTON, 4TH floor resident assistant of North Complex, walks the halls listening for loud residents. This responsibility was a usual ritual for weekend RAs. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Renovation projects

beauty campus

by Matthew Pearl

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The perpetual campus construction projects prompted students and faculty to redirect their footsteps to avoid piles of metal and concrete surrounded by familiar orange fencing.

Following the completion of Colden Hall and the steam lines, Northwest began a new set of projects in the summer of 1998 involving the J.W. Jones Student Union and South Complex.

The Union was the more difficult of the two projects, according to Cost Planning Management International, Inc., the firm which oversaw the construction of both facilities.

According to CPMI project manager Randy Sharp, the Union renovation was so complex that CPMI oversaw the project in two phases. The first was the food service area. Eating would have been convenient and accessible for students and faculty at its completion in August 1999.

"Phase one had already dealt us some structural problems, which set us back a little, but the plan to finish in August never had changed," Sharp said.

Phase two, including the renovation of offices and meeting areas was scheduled to begin in May 1999 and was to be

finished by August 2000.

Renovation of South Complex began in August 1998. According to Residential Life Coordinator Mark Hetzler, the plan to finish South in November or December 1999 was on time.

"Throughout the year, we had individual deadlines set for the completion of certain phases of the project," Hetzler said. "We had met those critical times and had continued to plan on the reopening of South in the spring of 2000."

South was chosen for remodeling because of its age and declining structural condition.

The changes to the Union and South Complex caused inconvenience for everyone interacting with the Northwest campus, but most agreed the mess was worth the luxury of improved facilities.



THE REMODELING OF the J.W. Jones Student Union is the latest construction project on campus. Construction began in the summer of 1998 and was projected to be completed by the fall of 1999. *Photo by Amy Roh*





NOT ONLY DID the workers gut most of the preexisting J.W. Jones Student Union, they also had to put it back together to meet the new plans. Workers were busy wiring, laying sheet rock and laying concrete. *Photo by Christy Chestnut*

THE J.W. JONES Student Union project brings the sounds of construction to the Northwest campus. Students were constantly reminded of the hard work the construction workers were doing to meet their deadline. *Photo by Christy Chesnut*



PAST INSPIRES PRESENT

GEORGIA MASS CHOIR

by Lisa

The Georgia Mass Choir performed in February. Some in attendance wanted to see a live performance by the gospel choir featured in the movie "The Preacher's Wife." Others, like Director of Campus Activities Bryan Vanosdale, felt a special connection to gospel choir music.

"I did not think you had to have grown up in a church that had that kind of music and that kind of spirit about it to have felt this way, to have felt that connection, that rejoicing," Vanosdale said.

The event was sponsored by Campus Activities Programmers, who joined forces with Alliance of Black Collegians to promote the event as an activity for Black History Month.

Vanosdale said the event was appropriate for Black History Month since it celebrated an art-form that was not often seen in Maryville.

"That group kind of represented a different way of music expression that was not very common in this area," Vanosdale said. "I thought it was just a really good way of bringing a lot of people together. Toward the end of the concert they had everybody grab hands as kind of a symbol of unity—that we were all here together, that we were different, but the same."



Photo by Valerie Mossman

YULETIDE FEASTE

by Sara

It may have been a cold December day in 1998 outside, but once inside the



Photo by Heidi Floersch

Conference Center, it was the holiday season of 1585, the height of the Renaissance era.

The 25th Annual Yuletide Feaste captured the audience's imaginations with its authentic food and music.

The Feaste was forced to move to the Conference Center due to construction in the J.W. Jones Union. Despite the small change, the Feaste proved to be successful.

Since its start, the Feaste's cast had grown to approximately 60 members. Many of the student participants in the event were impressed with the talent of their fellow cast members.

"The group was so talented, and it really was a joy to work with them," Kevin Kelly said.

Despite the alternative location, the Feaste still transported audience and cast members alike to the Renaissance era for an evening of music, food and pleasure.

JOYCELYN ELDERS

by Michelle

A blunt and direct attitude got Joycelyn Elders in some political trouble in 1994. In 1999 it made her an interesting and humorous speaker at Northwest.

Elders was appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1993 to

become the first black woman to become the U.S. surgeon general. In 1994, she resigned.

According to Elders, she was fired because she spoke her mind and said things President Clinton did not want his surgeon general saying.

Elders focused her discussion on health care, prevention and education.

"The most pervasive health problem we have is poverty," Elders said.

Elders stressed the importance of health care for everyone in the United States. She also discussed teen pregnancy. During Elder's term as surgeon general, she was often called the "condom queen" because of her vocalness about safe sex.

Elders told her audience that America had 10 times the rate of teenage pregnancy than the Netherlands or Japan.

"Children become parents before they become adults," Elders said. That was a point Dave Douglas was especially struck by.

"What she said about teen pregnancy was especially shocking," Douglas said. "I always knew the seriousness of the situation, but she had the numbers to back it up."

Elders was an interesting speaker and impressed her audience at Northwest.

"It was well worth my time and very interesting," Douglas said. "I was glad she came to a small school like Northwest."

MITCH GAYLORD

by Kimberly

"It all started with a dream," Mitch Gaylord said.

That dream started when Gaylord was in fifth grade.

Given an assignment to do a report, he chose to do it on an

Olympic athlete. That planted the seed.



Photo by Sarah Phipps

Gaylord became an Olympic athlete at the age of 23, when he participated in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

At the 1984 Olympics, Rayford Johnson carried the torch. Amazingly, Johnson was the Olympic athlete that Gaylord had written his report on in fifth grade. The man who had started Gaylord's dream was there to see the dream become a reality.

"It just showed that if you worked hard enough, you could accomplish anything," Jason Bass said.

With the content of his two lectures, Gaylord left a lot to be remembered.

HAZEL O'LEARY

by Matthew

When former White House cabinet member Hazel O'Leary visited as part of the University's Distinguished Lecture Series, her message was one encouraging knowledge, honesty, information and positive progress.

O'Leary, who led the Department of Energy during President Bill Clinton's first administration, focused on the concept of leadership. She said four qualities were necessary for people who wanted to compete successfully in the next century: farsightedness, anticipatory learning, interdependence and integrity.

She encouraged students to get involved in the field of technology.

Students loudly applauded her remarks, and a question and answer period followed the lecture.



Photo by Amy Roh

AFTER THE SIGMA Phi Epsilon house was condemned in 1997, the men began the construction of a new house. They hoped to regain the same closeness they had in the old house.
Photo by Amy Roh

THE MEN OF Delta Chi share a house on Second Street. Legend had it that the house was haunted by Lillian, who was a Townsend daughter, supposedly buried in the basement.
Photo by Valerie Mossman



AFTER THE TAU Kappa Epsilon house burned in 1996, they have congregated in the annex. They planned to have their new residence completed by the fall of 1999. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



The tragedies and triumphs of home ownership

by Laura Pearl

pective
ON CAMPUS

Fraternity houses created an extra sense of unity for the various fraternities at Northwest. Even though the task of handling the physical and financial upkeep of those buildings inevitably caused stress and inconvenience at times, those organizations constantly worked to better their homes for the future.

Mike Mohrhauser, president of Alpha Kappa Lambda, faced the challenges of housekeeping when his fraternity house was substantially damaged during winter break. He knew the AKLs would have to make some personal sacrifices to make the house livable again.

"The damage was at a bad time," Mohrhauser said. "We closed the house for the entire second semester, so we could get things repaired."

Two fraternities on campus did not have the burden of dealing with housekeeping. Both the Sigma Phi Epsilon and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternities lost their houses and wanted to join the ranks of house-owning organizations once again.

The house in which Sig Eps previously resided was torn down in the fall of 1997 after alumni assessed that the house

was in unmanageable condition.

Wishing to recapture the sense of togetherness the old house provided, the Sig Eps began construction on a two-story house during the fall semester and hoped to finish it in about a year.

Members of TKE lost their residence in a much more abrupt manner. In the fall of 1996, faulty electrical wiring ignited and burned down much of the house, which was later demolished.

The fire gave the TKEs a push in way of progression and forced them to put their plans for a new house into action.

Overall, houses served to nurture the fraternity spirit and tradition, bringing many different people together under a single roof to deal with the task of keeping a house in livable condition.



CONSTRUCTION WORKERS DILIGENTLY work to meet the fall 1999 deadline for the new Tau Kappa Epsilon house. Plans for a new house went into effect right after the 1996 fire. Photo by Amy Roh

CRIMES AND FAMILY TIES

by Amanda Scott

From the set with grass green cupboards to the bell bottoms worn by the Macgrath sisters, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center was filled with heartache, drama and a little bit of laughter when the department of communication and theatre arts presented "Crimes of the Heart."

Lenny Macgrath, played by Daria Kim, celebrated her 30th birthday as "Crimes of The Heart" opened.

"Well, after I shot him, I put the gun down on the piano bench and then I went out into the kitchen and made up a pitcher of lemonade."
— Babe

though she was sweet and innocent, but the rumor around town was that she shot her husband.

A horrifying childhood memory caused the

"Oh, now, Lenny don't you say that! There're plenty of good sane reasons to shoot a person and I'm sure that Babe had one." — Meg

The bad girl of the family, Meg, played by Emily Nelson, smoked, drank and knew every guy in town.

Babe, played by Angela McMahon, looked as

family to become dysfunctional. The sight of their mother hanging herself and the cat because she was unhappy with her marriage provided the entire town with gossip.

The sisters never understood why it happened, but with strong sisterly bonds, they pulled through the tragedy.

"I liked it because the setting was really realistic," Curt Browne said. "I liked the storyline because it was like a little soap opera."

Nicole Diercksen liked the family ties in the play.

"I loved it, I thought it was really good," Diercksen said. "I liked the way the sisters bonded, it was realistic."

The crowd showed it was touched by the performance as it rose for a standing ovation.

"Oh, no! Oh me!!! What a surprise! I could just cry! Oh, look, Happy Birthday to Lenny — a day late! How cute! My! Will you look at all those candles — it's absolutely frightening."
— Lenny



AT A REHEARSAL for "Crimes of the Heart," Emily Nelson portrays Meg, the bad girl of the Macgrath sisters. The Pulitzer prize winning play was written by Beth Henley and was put on by students in the fall. *Photo by Amy Roh*



PRACTICING FOR "CRIMES of the Heart," Ben Sumrall points an accusing finger at Meg, played by Emily Nelson. The play dealt with jealousy, infidelity, rivalry and friendship. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Landlord problems a part of off-campus life

by Debbie Bacon

After a required year of living on campus, many students jumped at the chance to move off campus. While this experience provided the opportunity for freedom, most agreed that the advantages came with disadvantages.

Kathe Stewart believed living off campus was better, despite the downside.

Stewart, who lived off campus for three years, liked the freedom of being able to come and go as she pleased. However, she disliked having to pay bills.

"Having to pay bills was not fun because in the dorms, utilities were already taken care of," Stewart said.

Stewart also had landlord problems.

"Two years ago our house was really torn down," Stewart said. "When our lease was up he would not give us our deposit back. We ended up taking him to court, but he went bankrupt, so it was worthless."

Stewart also had problems getting things fixed. She believed it was because the landlords knew it was hard for college students to stand up to them.

"It was hard to get landlords to get something fixed," Stewart said. "Sometimes they put it off for days, weeks and months on end. In the dorms, you did not have that problem."

Brandy Nobbling enjoyed the freedom of off-

campus living.

"You got to learn to do more on your own," Nobbling said.

While some were able to overlook landlords they felt were unsatisfactory, Ellen Bluml could not.

Bluml enjoyed the privacy and the independence involved with off-campus living, however the disadvantages were too much for her to overlook.

Bluml did not like cooking her own food, finding a parking spot when going to classes and the added responsibility as a whole.

Another major area of concern was directed at her landlord.

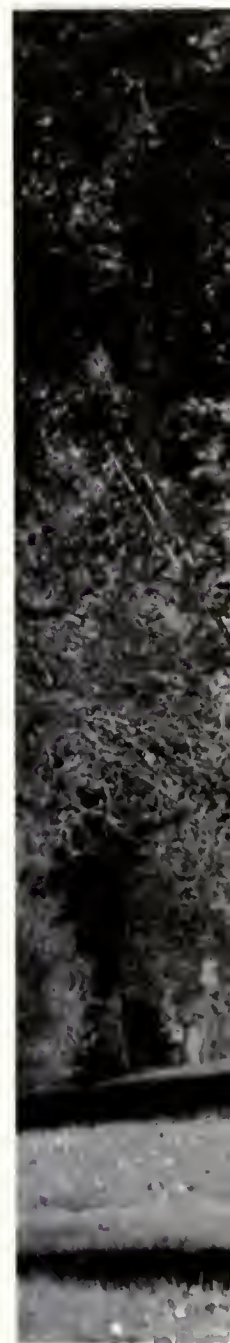
"When it was cold, it took him forever to get the heater on," Bluml said.

According to Bluml, her landlord often failed to do many other repair jobs in a timely fashion.

"I got upset because I felt it was his responsibility," Bluml said.

By the end of the year, Bluml was seriously considering moving into Roberta Hall the following year.

According to those who lived off-campus, choosing to do so provided more freedom, but more responsibility. The overall experience seemed to depend on what type of landlord a renter had.



Tips Every Tenant Needs to Know:

Review all the important conditions of the lease before signing, which may include restrictions on guests, pets, design alteration or running a home business.

Protect your privacy rights. A landlord must provide a notice before entering a rental unit, even if he/she has a right to do that.

Know your right to live in a habitable rental unit. Landlords are required to offer their tenants livable premises including adequate weather proofing, heat, water, electricity and clean, sanitary and structurally safe premises.

Purchase renter's insurance to cover your valuables.

Make sure your rental agreement is clear on the use and refund of security deposits.

- Learn whether your building and neighborhood is safe, and what you can expect your landlord to do about it if it is not.

- Know when to fight an eviction notice and when to move. If you lose an eviction lawsuit, you may end up hundreds or even thousands of dollars in debt.

Infographic by Kaori Naga

Information compiled from Rent Net http://www.rent.net/reading/10_tips.html



Photo Illustration by Sarah Phillips

AS HER HUSBAND Harvey White cuts the ribbon, Joyce White pretends that he cut her hand with the scissors. Harvey and Joyce's donation made the early completion of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza possible. *Photo by Amy Roh*

ON TOP OF the new Friendship Wall, at the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza, five clocks display international times. The plaza was named after the White's for their \$250,000 donation. *Photo by Jason Myers*



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BARIO Ndebeso raises the flag for his home country of Uganda. Ndebeso was one of the many exchange students who had the opportunity to raise their country's flag. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



New addition promotes cultural

by Lisa Huse

Just a year after the land between Colden Pond and Lamkin Activity Center could have been compared to a war zone with trenches and dirt piles, a breathtaking structure stood with 54 flags waving proudly as a reminder of what a beautiful concept diversity was.

University President Dean Hubbard and Vice President for Finance and Support Services Ray Courter had discussed such a project for the past five years, but indecision on what type of structure to build and where to build it halted progress.

1997's work on steam tunnels and underground chilled water system became a surprising catalyst.

Due to finding unexpected electrical wires while digging, workers had to dig for a steam tunnel next to Lamkin, which created a sidewalk parallel to an existing sidewalk.

"Suddenly we had a two sidewalk boulevard," Courter said. "What an area to consider for this flag project that had been discussed earlier."

In the preceding months, the Northwest Alumni Foundation designed a campaign to seek funding and pitched the idea to

potential donors. A \$250,000 donation from a 1951 Alumna Joyce White and her husband Harvey, and architectural plans donated from alumnus Jeff Ellison allowed construction to begin.

Ground was broken in May, five months before the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza was dedicated with three events on Walkout Day.

A flag raising ceremony at 8:30 a.m. kicked off the ceremonies. The crowd was addressed by Dr. Negar Davis, director of International Programs and Multicultural Affairs, and student representatives from International Student Association, Student Senate, Hispanic American Leadership

Organization and Chinese Student Association. Each flag was then raised by two students.

Next, a luncheon at the University Conference Center recognized donors, international guests from Turkey, Mexico and Argentina and others involved with the project.

Yucel Kalinyazgan, founder of Yuce Educational Institutions in Turkey, was invited because of the exchange program his institutions sponsored with

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MEMBERS OF THE Northwest community walk through the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza after the dedication. The building of the international plaza was part of Northwest's continued dedication to show multicultural impact on a global society. Photo by Sarah Phipps

A FEW DAYS BEFORE the plaza dedication, Rick Raney prepares the flag poles for installment. Work continued through the night so the plaza would be completed in time for the dedication. *Photo by Amy Roh*

AT THE DEDICATION for the Joyce and Harvey White international plaza, President Dean Hubbard acknowledges the international alumni in attendance. Many alumni went to the event to show pride in their alma mater. *Photo by Amy Roh*



CONSTRUCTION WORKERS WORK on the Friendship Wall of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza. The construction of the plaza moved quickly because it had to be ready for presentation during Homecoming. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*





New addition promotes cultural diversity

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Kalinyazgan believed Students from his institutions that came to Northwest would study at a quality university.

"The fact that they would be studying in your establishment together with students from 54 countries in an atmosphere of cooperation and solidarity made us most confident and enthusiastic," Kalinyazgan said.

Other international guests included former Northwest students who had been acquainted with Joyce while residing in Maryville.

Maria Ardiles de Stein from Argentina reminisced about her college days and said Northwest was very open to international students.

"They did not ask me what religion I had, what background I had, just asked me if I wanted to become a good teacher," Ardiles de Stein said.

Next, the Whites spoke about their history at the University and their ties to Maryville.

Immediately following the luncheon, the official opening ceremony, complete with a ribbon cutting, gave people who were not at the luncheon the chance to hear the White's speak.

The ceremony also provided a time to dedicate the Water Pavilion, inspired by the violent death of student Karen Hawkins in 1995. In her memory

and as a reminder of how violence impacted society, the classes from 1995 to 1997 designated their senior class gifts to build the pavilion. A plaque displayed asked visitors to "acknowledge the need for peace, compassion and respect for self and others."

Guests then strolled along the boulevard, and reflected on how the plaza would affect future international relationships at Northwest.

"There was still the segregation somehow between American and international students," Anton Dimov said. "Whether it was on the part of the Americans or internationals, it did not matter, but now it was more as if the college was trying to help them work out their differences."

The opening ceremonies ended, but the trend to think about the world from a national perspective would not pass as quickly.

The plaza even helped Horace Mann students take a fresh look at the world. When they walked through the plaza they discussed the differences between flag symbols and colors, Hubbard said.

"Teachers spent a lot of time trying to get kids to open up and think about the world like that," Hubbard said.

The landmark's completion was a constant reminder of understanding among different nationalities.



Hollywood

Homecoming activities bring out

by Kimberly Mansfield

Bobby Goes to Hollywood was the theme for the week of excitement and hard work which resulted in a wondrous display of house decorations, a parade and fun. Even with midterms that week, the excitement was not diminished.

The Variety Show kicked off Homecoming activities Wednesday and ran through Friday.

The audience chatted in anticipation while waiting for the show to begin. In an unexpected beginning, Cathy Wright, Freshen's employee, appeared and sang a song based on "Rapper's Delight." Then, emcees Jon Baker and Jerry Nevins took over and entertained the audience between skits.

The skits and olio acts presented in the Variety Show got a good response from the audience, and was further evidence of the hard work.

After the Variety Show on Wednesday, the Homecoming king and queen were crowned. Students voted all week on the 10 candidates through the computer polling system. When the votes came in, Robert Aschotrop and Karen Barmann were selected king and queen.

The Variety Show changed for the first

time in many years as Greek organizations teamed with other Greek organizations for skits. Doing so promoted Greek unity and was more cost effective.

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Midterms Cause Hectic Homecoming

by Kimberly Mansfield

If Homecoming was to be combined with midterms week, chaos would surely result, as students found out.

Students were forced to plan ahead to stay focused on studying while participating in Homecoming activities. Time management became a must, Tim Correll, Resident Assistant and Delta Sigma Phi member, said.

"Basically, it came to prioritizing," Correll said. "I just tried to stay calm and went with the flow."

Alpha Sigma Alpha member Aja Rule said her schedule was "back-to-back."

"Homecoming was a huge stress," Rule said. "My friends thought I had gone off the deep end."

Rule found the tests to be extra-stressful in classes which had a midterm and a final as the only grades for the semester. She had to cut out some activities she usually had time for.

"I made time by not sleeping," Rule said. "I had been getting about two hours a night."

Rule thought the drawback was severe for those involved in Homecoming.

"Anybody who was super involved in Homecoming had a hard time enjoying it, because by Saturday night you were just too tired," Rule said.

After looking at the academic calendar, Phi Mu president Cindy Crook questioned why Homecoming and midterms were planned for the same week.

"It was illogical because if you looked at the calendar, there were 15 weeks of classes," Crook said. "This was the seventh week, so logically midterms should have been given the eighth week."

Calendar Committee Chair Merry McDonald explained that it was an oversight.

"The first trimester would not really be 15 weeks long, it would just cover 15 weeks," McDonald said. "Because there were five non-class days in fall, it was really 14 weeks."

The registrar also confirmed that part of the reason midterms fell that way was so that students who got a down slip would have time to drop the class before the drop date on Oct. 16.

While midterms/Homecoming week was hectic, a lot of good things came out of it. Perhaps, in following years, better planning would prevent the two weeks from being scheduled together again, and students would be able to deal with the weeks separately.





SPECTATORS ARE GREETED by Kurt Gentry, Tau Kappa Epsilon member, dressed as "Austin Powers" as he cruises down Fourth Street. The TKEs won second place in the jalopy category for their remake of the "International Man of Mystery." *Photo by Amy Roh*

PHI MU MEMBER Jackie Carlson and members of Phi Sigma Kappa put the finishing touches on their house decoration. Many hours were spent working to finish the house decorations before Saturday. *Photo by Jason Myers*



DRESSED AS SOUTH Park characters Cartman, Kenny and Kyle, members of Tau Phi Upsilon walk in the Homecoming parade. Tau Phi Upsilon won first place in the independent paper mache clowns competition. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Homecoming Awards

PAPER MACHE CLOWNS

Independent-Tau Phi Upsilon "South Park"
 Sorority-Phi Mu "The Wizard of Oz"
 Fraternity-Phi Sigma Kappa "The Three Stooges"

COSTUME CLOWNS

Independent-American Association of Family and
 Consumer Sciences "Wheel of Fortune"

Sorority-Phi Mu "Grease"

Fraternity-Delta Chi "Westside Story"

POMP CLOWNS

Independent-Sigma Society "The Smurfs"

Sorority-Phi Mu "The Simpsons"

Fraternity-Tau Kappa Epsilon

"Animation Takes on Spielberg"

OVERALL CLOWN - PAPER MACHE

Phi Mu "The Wizard of Oz"

MINI FLOAT

Independent-Resident Hall Association "The Brady
 Bunch/I Love Lucy/Gone with the Wind"

Sorority-Sigma Sigma Sigma "Lights, Camera, Action"

Fraternity-Phi Sigma Kappa "Herbie the Lovebug"

BEST OVERALL MINI FLOAT

Phi Sigma Kappa "Herbie the Lovebug"

JALOPIES

Sigma Alpha "The Beverly Hillbillies"

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IN THE HOMECOMING game against the University of Missouri-Rolla, Travis Miles makes a break for a touch down. The Bearcats' six game winning streak continued with their huge win over Missouri-Rolla, 49-6. Photo by Jason Myers



COMPLETE WITH FAKE chest hair, Justin Burton plays "Austin Powers" in the Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Sigma Alpha's Variety Show skit. Many popular characters from movies and television were incorporated into skits. Photo by Amy Roh



THE BOBBYS

FACE toward the crowd of students. "The Bobbys," held on the lawn of the Administration Building, were given out to organizations to recognize them for their hard work during Homecoming week. Photo by Jason Myers



Homecoming activities bring out Hollywood stars

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The Homecoming parade was an important part of the weekend because organizations spent many hours preparing for it.

It was a brisk morning as the annual Homecoming parade lined up for a 9:30 start. The sun was bright as people milled around to find the best spot to watch the parade. Bobby Bearcat greeted people and shook the hands of children.

While the time for the parade seemed early for some viewers and participants, the parade coordinators arrived at 5:30 a.m. to make sure everything was running on time and to line up all of the floats and bands.

Even though it was a lot of work, Parade Coordinator Lisa Ziegler thought it was worth the time and effort.

"Overall, it was a really positive experience," Ziegler said. "It was really fun, and you got to meet a lot of cool people."

To those who saw the parade, the hard work was evident.

While the spirit of the parade was what the crowd saw, for many, fierce competition laid just below the surface. Homecoming was the biggest event of the year, and for the organizations involved in Homecoming, winning was sometimes more important than anything else.

Sigma Phi Epsilon member Justin Burton thought that Homecoming activities were important and a big priority. However, Burton tried not to focus on all the activities going on around him.

"If you put so much time in, you did not want to take sixth place," Burton said. "The more you focused, the more likely you would have had a panic attack."

The format of presenting the Homecoming awards, "The Bobbys," also changed. In previous years it had been held during halftime of the

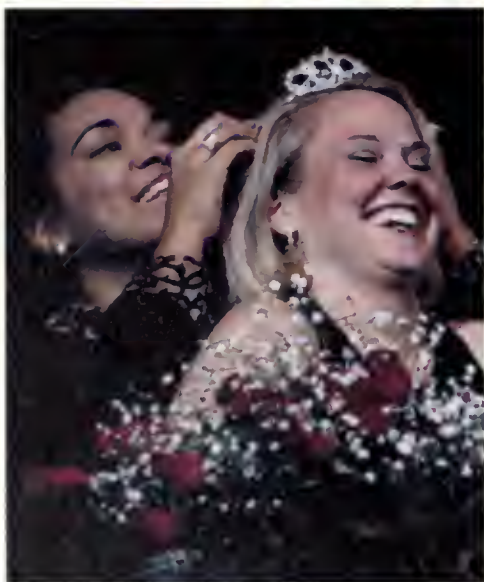
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VARIETY SHOW EMCEES Jerry Nevins and Jon Baker perform their rendition of "The Grease Mega-mix." Their take on the song included, "You Gotta Go To Class," "Steam Piping" and "Outback Nights." Photo by Amy Roh

AS PART OF Homecoming tradition, Susie Zimmerman touches up the Tau Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Sigma Alpha house decoration. Their "Ghostbusters" house decoration won second place in the highly competitive division of the house decoration awards. *Photo by Amy Roh*

STUDENTS WATCH THE Homecoming parade from the roof of a house located on Fourth Street. Many students and community members brought lawn chairs and blankets so they could relax while watching the parade. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AFTER THE VARIETY Show 1996 Homecoming Queen Mercedes Johnson crowns new queen Karen Barmann. Barmann was sponsored by Phi Mu, and Robert Aschentrop, sponsored by Alpha Sigma Alpha, was crowned king. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Homecoming activities bring out Hollywood

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Homecoming game. With the new format, awards were presented on the front lawn of the Administration Building. "The Bobbys" concluded a week of hard work and stress.

"It was awesome," Phi Mu president Cindy Crook said. "I liked the format. It was hard to wait another day, but it was good."

However, some tried to look past the awards.

"Winning was important, but not as important as putting forth your best effort," Crook said.

Working together on projects for Homecoming proved beneficial for the Greek organizations.

"It went really well this year," Kenya Lockamy said. "I saw a lot of good Greek relations."

With all the activities during Homecoming, stress was abundant. However, some students looked back on their work with pride and knew that in the end, all the sacrifices were worth it.

Homecoming Football

by Brad Brentlinger

Homecoming weekend proved to be yet another win for the football team. They continued to stay undefeated as they beat the University of

Missouri-Rolla 49-6.

In a game that was all Northwest, the Bearcats jumped ahead and scored twice in the first quarter. David Jansen rushed for a four-yard touchdown, while A-back Derek Lane rumbled down the field for a 16-yard score, which gave the Bearcats a lift that continued for the entire game.

While things were bad for the Mules in the first quarter, it got worse as the game continued. Wide receiver Seneca Holmes opened up the second quarter by scoring on a 23-yard reverse that stretched the Bearcat's lead and showed Missouri-Rolla why the Bearcats were ranked No. 4 in the NCAA Division II polls that week.

The relentless Bearcats scored again with three

minutes in the first half when quarterback Chris Greisen connected with tight-end Mark Maus on a 15-yard pass, increasing the lead to 28-0 at the half.

The first half offensive explosion that gave the Bearcats breathing room early continued its assault in the third quarter, almost tying the team's first half point total. The Bearcats, who were led by Lane's two

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"BEARCAT SUPERFAN" TED Place performs for the Phi Sigma Kappa's Variety Show skit. Sigma Kappa Amy Beaver won the best actress Bobby award for her portrayal of one of the Superfans. Photo by Amy Roh

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touchdowns in the third quarter, rushed for 302 yards. 114 of those came from Lane's 13 carries in the game.

As productive as the offense was during the game, the defense also deserved credit. The Bearcat defenders allowed Missouri-Rolla to rush for only 92 yards and held the Mules to just three of 13 on third down conversions.

Coach Mel Tjeerdsma was very pleased with the way his team played on Homecoming.

"I thought that we did an excellent job on our mental approach to the game," Tjeerdsma said. "Everybody knew that Missouri-Rolla had been struggling when we played them, and it would have been very easy for us to let down (our guard). We really came together and played like a team on Homecoming."

Tjeerdsma knew his team could not get too excited over this win because there were still many games left to be played.

"The fact that the win came on Homecoming was just an added bonus," Tjeerdsma said. "It helped the team having everyone there cheering for us."

Bearcat fan Scott Goodrich was impressed that the defense performed so well.

"When the defense played as hard as they did by holding them to only six points, it seemed to get the

offense going," Goodrich said. "I was glad that our defense had been playing good all season. Without good defense you just could not win."

Bearcat fan Tim Pratt thought the Bearcats definitely outplayed Missouri-Rolla.

"The team seemed to control the game and set it at its own pace," Pratt said. "Because it was Homecoming weekend, it made it that much better when the Bearcats played so well."

Jennifer Schrader was excited for the team's performance on such an important weekend.

"The Homecoming game drew probably the most fans all year, and I was glad the football team gave such an impressive performance in front of them," Schrader said. "I thought it really helped boost the team even if the team they were playing was struggling."

Schrader also felt it was good for the alumni to come back and continue to root for the Bearcats.

"I think it was a good crowd that was at the game," Schrader said. "There were friends and family and alumni and it just seemed to all go together for a great weekend."

As another Homecoming weekend came and went, the fans of the Bearcat football team got to see a great performance as their team continued to succeed. As for the Mules, they could only hope that next year's game would not be such a blowout.

**EYES
FOCUSED ON**
the touchdown,
wide receiver
J.R. Hill races for
the goal line.
After the game,
Chris Greison
and Derek Lane
received the Don
Black award.
This award was
given annually to
the best players
in the
Homecoming
game. Photo by
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MISS CRABTREE, FROM South Park, played by Tracy Stoebr in the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Phi Mu skit, prepares to drive off. The skit featured big band dancing and Bobby Bearcat. Photo by Sarah Phipps

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Competitive Division

Kappa Sigma & Sigma Society
"Bobby the Toolman Bearcat"

Highly Competitive Division

Phi Sigma Kappa "Titanic"

BEST OVERALL FLOAT

Phi Sigma Kappa "Titanic"

HOUSE DECORATIONS

Competitive Division

International Student Organization "Bobby Goes Around the World in 80 Days"

Highly Competitive Division

Sigma Sigma Sigma & Delta Chi "Bobby Sees the Sites"

VARIETY SHOW SKITS

Phi Mu & Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

"Bobby Bearcat's Day Off"

VARIETY SHOW OLIO ACTS

Todd Bradshaw "From Here to Eternity"

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

Phi Mu & Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

"Bobby Bearcat's Day Off"

OVERALL PARADE SUPREMACY

Independent-Sigma Society

Sorority-Phi Mu

Fraternity-Phi Sigma Kappa





ONE AFTERNOON IN August, Stacey Gray and Sharon Cantrell relax and get some sun at Mozingo. Many students took advantage of the hot weather and spent time at Mozingo. *Photo by Amy Roh*

ENJOYING THE SUN at Mozingo Sabrina Peterson sunbathes. Mozingo provided students a place to relax and get away from college life. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Sun, fun and relaxation at Mozingo Lake

by Eric Davis

Only a few hundred yards away from Highway 136 sat Mozingo Lake. Since it opened in 1995, the lake had been a place for residents and students to spend their leisure time.

Students who wanted to relax could escape to Mozingo without traveling far.

"It was a nice way to spend a day off," Nikki Damme said.

Mozingo Lake was owned by the city of Maryville and was the source for the city's main water supply. Maryville began to consider constructing the lake in 1967.

Secretary of Water Conservation Vilas Young was largely responsible for starting the project. Young fought to get the wheels in motion; however, the government's red tape slowed the project down considerably. In 1988, 21 years after the idea was conceived, the Missouri Supreme Court ruled that the city had the right to build the artificial lake. Again, Young oversaw the project. Mozingo Lake was ready to take the step from dream to reality.

By 1992, the project was under way. In 1994, Mozingo Lake was finished and filled in 1995.

Once the project was complete, it was clear that all the hard work and dedication paid off.

"It was a lot of fun," Jennifer Halverson said. "They had beach volleyball courts. You could

swim or have a picnic."

The lake offered picnic tables and two large shelters that were available for rent. For those who planned a camping trip, there was a park for recreational vehicles and 20 primitive camping sites with restrooms available. Three miles of trails were carved out of the region's rolling hills. The lake was equipped with three boat docks, a fishing dock and hunting was allowed from November 15 through January 15.

The Mozingo Lake Golf Course took up 240 of Mozingo's 3,000 acres, which offered a challenging layout, a driving range and a pro shop. In 1996, Golf Digest nominated Mozingo for "Best New Public Course." Northwest students were offered discounts and could participate in an intramural golf meet in the spring.

There were some complaints about the shore.

"The beach was a little rocky," Halverson said.

Anything but complacent, Mozingo black-topped two miles of roads in 1997, and \$200,000 was invested in 1998. A larger park for recreational vehicles was in the blueprints. A youth camp was planned to be built, as well as horseback riding trails and additional hiking trails.

With so much space and so many things to do, Mozingo was a convenient place for students to relax and enjoy themselves.

THE SUN SETS, ending another day at Mozingo Lake. Mozingo was a popular attraction to students in the summer months. There were options to play sand volleyball, swim or picnic. Photo by Sarah Phipps

Weekend of events sparks family bonding

by Debbie Bacon

Families ventured to Maryville for Family Weekend and participated in a wide array of activities.

An open house in the newly renovated Mabel Cook Admissions and Visitor's Center kicked off the weekend. Visitors and students could then attend the University theatre department's freshman/transfer showcase production, "The World of Carl Sandburg."

Saturday's events began with a pancake breakfast in the Olive Deluce Fine Arts Building parking lot. Ali Eilers took part in the pancake breakfast with her family from Omaha, Neb.

"It was good to eat breakfast as a family again," Eilers said.

Following breakfast, children in second through eighth grades played basketball with the men's Bearcat basketball team.

Next, at the University Welcome, The Family of the Year Award was presented to the Quinlin family of Ankeny, Iowa. The event was

held at Charles Johnson Theater. Ted and Joe Quinlin nominated their family for the award.

"I was excited, but more proud of my family," Ted said. "I always thought we had a chance, that was why we nominated ourselves."

That event kicked off activities including the Festival of Cultures, the Tailgate Luncheon and the family weekend football game against Missouri Western State College.

Kate Lutz said her family enjoyed the game since they were from St. Joseph.

"My parents were Missouri Western nuts, so it was cool that they were actually cheering on the Bearcats," Lutz said.

Postgame activities included bowling at Bearcat Lanes and dinner at the Bearcat Barbecue.

On Sunday, families could play golf at Mozingo Lake.

At Family Weekend, families had the chance to reunite and spent quality time together on the Northwest campus.



THE QUINLAN FAMILY is introduced at the football game as the Family of the Year. The family consisted of parents Tom and Joan and nine children, who all have attended college. They were showered with gifts ranging from one \$500 scholarship to be used by Joe, to local gift certificates. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AFTER THE FAMILY Day game, KiAndre Pugh plays with his father's football helmet as he tries to pronounce "football." His father, Charlie Pugh, punt returner, helped the Bearcats achieve a 61 total yardage in punt returns. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

A MEMBER OF Project Concern dances to "Men in Black" at the Festival of Cultures. The group was organized to provide free hip-hop dancing instruction to inner-city youths of Boston. Organizers hoped to raise the youths' self-esteem and encouraged them to become involved in the community through dancing. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Campus addresses concerns of student access

story and sidebar by Jon Baker

To students with physical handicaps, accessibility was about having access to the life that anyone had.

A student in a wheelchair could not get from the commuter lot behind the Valk Agricultural Building to anywhere on campus; the ramps on both sides were too steep. The Bell Tower, a symbol of campus and the intersection of various sidewalks, sat at the top of a hill. In situations where people who could walk had six or seven options to exit a building, a person in a wheelchair often only had one.

"I thought the campus had gotten a lot better since I first came here, with more sidewalks and better ramps," Marianne Miller said.

Miller said construction on the J.W. Jones Student Union made the bottom floor food-service facilities inaccessible, a problem which was quickly addressed by the administration at the beginning of the year.

"As soon as we knew World of Cuisine was inaccessible, we put a sign above the door, and their people were supposed to help in any way," said Annelle Weymuth, executive assistant to the president. "They could get downstairs through the freight elevator, or a person could bring their food up."

Weymuth also said ramps installed during the

steam pipe renovations were labeled so students in wheelchairs would not be injured using them.

Pat Driver said the steep ramps were not a major concern for him.

"Compared to other campuses I was looking at, Northwest was very accessible," Driver said. "I ignored the steep ramp signs. They were fun."

Miller said people should have tried to understand that a person with a handicap was still a person.

"People asked me stupid things, like, 'Can you do wheelies?' or 'Is there a speed limit here?'" Miller said. "It just made you feel like an idiot. People needed to understand we were just like everyone else; we just sat down a lot."

It seemed that although the University made steps toward improving accessibility on campus, the population as a whole could have improved.

THE STEEP RAMP signs are no problem for Pat Driver, who picks up speed as he rides down a ramp south of Colden Hall. Environmental services were required to post warnings on ramps across campus which did not meet the regulation of one foot of ramp for every inch of incline. Photo by Jon Baker

Instructors Adjust

In some classrooms, accessibility meant accommodating a syllabus to the capabilities of a student.

In lifetime wellness lab, students in wheelchairs were allowed to skip lower-body strength excersises, and did a 12-minute ride instead of the 12-minute run.

Laura Widmer, assistant professor of mass communications, found a similar challenge when she taught photojournalism to a student who was blind.

"I gave him an auto-focus camera, and on his assignments, he would shoot toward what he was hearing," Widmer said. "Sometimes there were quirky angles, but he did a good job."

Chris Prather, a lifetime wellness instructor, said she often forgot to enlarge quizzes and tests for a student who was legally blind.

Shirley Steffens, associate professor of special education, said a main point in educating students with physical disabilities was to use "person-first" language, or language that stressed the person, not the handicap.

"It was the same as talking about someone with glasses," Steffens said. "You would not say a glasses-wearing person, you would say a person who wears glasses. It was just common courtesy."





THE DRAMA UNFOLDS

PROFESSIONAL

by Jason

Closet wrestling fans came out to view the first Central States Wrestling visit to Northwest.

One of the main draws on the CSW card was the appearance of one former and two current Northwest students—Jason “Big Daddy Fullz” Fuller, Anthony “Ace” Bowden and Jeremy “Rock Hard” Galloway.

The main event belonged to Big Daddy Fullz. Fuller, a former defensive lineman for the Northwest football team, incorporated two current Bearcat football players for his opening, Aaron Becker and Chad Thompson.

“Big Daddy asked us and told us it would be pretty sweet if we walked him in,” Becker said. “He told us it was a go, and we would be bodyguards for him since he had been cheap-shotted in the past.”

Bown, Fuller and Galloway all won their matches.

For one night, three wrestlers got to live the dream of performing in the squared circle and being like the heroes they saw on TV.



Photo by Christy Chesnut



Photo by Amy Hoh

CARL

by Kimberly

As the doors closed at Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, the chattering of the audience calmed and the lights dimmed. The Freshman/Transfer Showcase was about to begin.

The showcase, directed by Dr. Charles Schultz, consisted of 25 students who only had a month to prepare.

The showcase was entitled “The World of Carl Sandburg.” Sandburg was a poet who also wrote fables and parables. He was referred to as “the poet of the people.”

Sandburg’s work reflected many topics. While he was a collector of jokes, he also dealt with other issues, including his opinions on babies, knowledge, growing up, marriage, love, hate, war and death.

Brandon Morgan, a member of the cast, was intrigued by Sandburg’s work.

“Initially, I was not sure if I liked Sandburg,” Morgan said. “He grew on me though. In a sense, Sandburg was vague, but I admired him a lot. He was a cool guy.”

Morgan thought the cast performed well, and everyone had worked hard to make the show successful.



A HIGHER PLACE IN HEAVEN

by Michelle

Black History Month brought a performance on Feb. 9 that addressed racism in the South.

The scene was a town in Georgia called Second Samuel. In 1925, citizens had yet to accept blacks into their community.

"A Higher Place in Heaven" was staged on the front porch and yard of an old mansion belonging to Miss Madison, a cranky, outspoken but good-natured woman. The mansion used to be a part of a plantation. Miss Simpson was a black servant, part of the Simpson family that had formerly been slaves. She and Miss Madison were obviously close and were enjoying growing old together.

Son, one of Miss Madison's sons, threw an enormous commotion filled with racist remarks when he discovered the Madison Plantation, "New Hope," was not being left to him or his brother but to Miss Simpson and her son.

In the last scene of the play, it was revealed Miss Simpson and Miss Madison were not just friends. In the days of slavery, men of the house snuck into slave quarters, where they often had affairs with the black women. Miss Madison's father was one of those men; consequently, Miss Simpson and Miss Madison were sisters. That helped Son see the rightness behind his mother's desire to leave her home to Miss Simpson.

Brandy Toma believed the play showed the way people really felt at the time.

"The play showed how blacks felt in the South during the transition between equality and slavery," Toma said.

In a humorous and entertaining way, "A Higher Place in Heaven" demonstrated the tensions and bonds between blacks and whites in the South.

THE

by Adam

The Department of Communication and Theatre Arts presented "The Crucible," the story of Abigail Williams and the witches of Salem, Mass.

The play centered around the townspeople of Salem and accusations made by certain individuals against others regarding witchcraft.

The theater department decided to present the Salem witch trials in a different light. Instead of having the setting of the play remain in the 1660s Puritan era, each act progressed the play into a new era, from 1840 to 1920, and finally culminated in the present.

Director Jim Eiswert said that helped show the theme could have been alive in today's society.

Above the stage were screens that showed other victims of hate such as gays, the mentally ill and the poor.

Although the purpose of the play was to entertain the audience, another goal was to make the audience aware of social problems that still existed.

"It was our hope that this production would invite all of us to reflect on the human faces from our past and present which had been castigated and crucified," Eiswert said.



Photo by Amy Roh

DANCE INTO THE NIGHT

by Kimberly Mansfield

"In the haunting melody of the calling pipes her spirit waits, waiting for her true love to return. Souls bonded together for all eternity."

combining Irish step, ballet, jazz, tap and flamenco dance with a compelling story line and love songs in the two hour performance.

"I thought it was great," Beth Wheeler said. "They were well-trained, and they had such talent. They were all in synch."

The show originated in Ireland. The love story, produced and composed by David King in association with Dublin Worldwide Productions, had been running for three years.

Patricia Murray, world Irish dance champion, led the Irish International Dance Company in what had become one of the most successful theatrical

The music began as the curtain rose at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center; the audience was immediately drawn into the "Spirit of the Dance."

More than 30 cast members danced as one

productions in British theater.

Murray's natural talent was apparent to all as she tapped her feet to the music.

Some audience members were impressed.

"The leader could do things with her feet that

most people could not," Mike Boudreau said.

On stage, dry ice, as well as lighting were used, presenting the image of mystery in the performance.

"Her journey began and she would dance across the world, hearts pounding to the beat of the drums, every place her soul could reach till she found him."

"Her spirit could not rest until he came for her, till he danced for her once again and told her that he loved her."

"The lighting really added to the production," Wheeler said.

Audience members had different perspectives of the best part of the production.

The audience appreciated the talent showcased by dancers and showed it readily at the end of the performance with thunderous applause and a standing ovation.

Quotes from the synopsis courtesy of Dublin Worldwide Productions





STANDING IN A triangle formation, the company pauses for the thunderous applause from the audience to cease. "Spirit of the Dance" had been running for three years. *Photo courtesy of Dublin Worldwide Productions*

AFTER A RIGOROUS dance routine, the company pauses to catch their breath before beginning the next scene. "Spirit of the Dance" was made up of a compilation of different dance routines. *Photo courtesy of Dublin Worldwide Productions*

MEMBERS OF THE Dublin Worldwide Productions "Spirit of the Dance" pause midroutine as the ethreal spirit makes an appearance. Her spirit would not rest until she found her true love. *Photo courtesy of Dublin Worldwide Productions*

LOCAL CHILDREN PERFORM

by Jammie Silvey & Kimberly Mansfield

When the International Ballet Theatre presented the ballet "The Nutcracker," the performance was localized as 32 students from Miss Heather's School of Dance were asked to be a part of it.

However, choosing which students out of the hundred students was a diplomatic process because they were chosen by the sizes of the costumes, which could not be altered.

"The teacher asked 24 girls, some who had been there the longest, then measured for sizes before we were officially chosen," said Julie Deen, a 13-

In 1891, choreographer Marius Petipa commissioned Tchaikovsky to write the music for "The Nutcracker" ballet.

since they only had a little over a month to prepare for the performance. Learning the routine was also a challenge since they had to learn it from a videotape.

"The Nutcracker" ballet is based on the book called "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King" written by E.T.A. Hoffman.

year-old dance student. "Once we got the routine down, it was just a matter of perfecting it."

Hard work was required of all involved, especially

Haley Vest, a 10-year-old dance student, felt comfortable with the routine after working on it for only a few days.

"We practiced lots," Vest said. "I was really nervous about it, though."

In the play, Clara Stahlbaum received a nutcracker from her godfather for Christmas at the party her parents threw. After the party, Clara fell asleep and dreamed her nutcracker came to life, providing many adventures.

The children of Miss Heather's School of Dance were in two scenes. In the opening scene, they portrayed the children at the Christmas party. In the concluding scene, the children made a final appearance

In 1892, the first showing of "The Nutcracker" took place at the Mariinsky Theatre of Russia.

with Mother Ginger and her Bon Bons.

"It was just a neat experience to have," Deen said. "It was a good experience. It was just really amazing."

With the uniquely local performance, the evening was magical for the student dancers and the community that watched with pride.

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CLARA DANCES WITH her Nutcracker prince in her dream. The Russian dance company invited a local dance studio, Miss Heather's School of Dance, to join them on stage. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

IN THE KINGDOM of the Sweets, the company pairs off to represent different parts of the world, as well as different sweets. The Nutcracker was performed in front of a sell-out crowd. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



IN THE LAND of Snow, Clara and her nutcracker prince dance. Director Vladimir Shumeinkin brought the traditional Christmas play to Northwest. *Photo by Amy Roh*

A GRADUATE WALKS across the stage as President Dean Hubbard stretches out a hand of congratulations. The commencement ceremony took place at Bearcat arena. *Photo by Jason Myers*



GRADUATES WEAR SMILES at the first December commencement ceremony. About 300 students graduated. *Photo by Jason Myers*



THE DIPLOMAS, STACKED neatly, await their recipients. So many graduates' friends and family attended graduation that some had to stand during the ceremony. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Special events call for two ceremonies

by Michelle Krambeck

Northwest had two firsts the weekend of Dec. 11.

It was the first December graduation ceremony and the first time the Bearcat football team won the NCAA Division II National Championship.

In previous years, seniors completing graduation requirements in December came back to go through the ceremony in May.

Ken White, director of communications and marketing, organized the ceremony.

The organizers estimated less family and friends in attendance and ran out of seating in the back of Bearcat Arena. Many spectators had to stand during the ceremony. Graduate Mike Vinson had no complaints despite the seating situation.

"I thought the ceremony was really nice," Vinson said. "It was organized and went well. Everybody got their two seconds of glory; they received their diploma, and we were done."

Lisa Gruenloh, 1992 graduate of Northwest spoke at the commencement.

As for those in Alabama, graduation took a different course than normal. There were five Bearcat players graduating and three coaches who had completed their masters. They were unable to walk the night before the game because they were in Alabama, but the administration had

something in mind.

When the players returned to the hotel after winning the game, there was a tent set up outside with a stage inside. Their caps and gowns were waiting there inside for them. Coach Mel Tjeerdsma called their names, they came forward and President Dean Hubbard gave them their diploma.

"It was the best day of my life," said Steve Coppinger, Bearcat Center. "First winning the national championship and then graduating from college."

The weekend was a big one for Northwest. Three hundred students graduated to pursue their dreams after watching the Bearcats they had followed during their college careers achieve theirs.

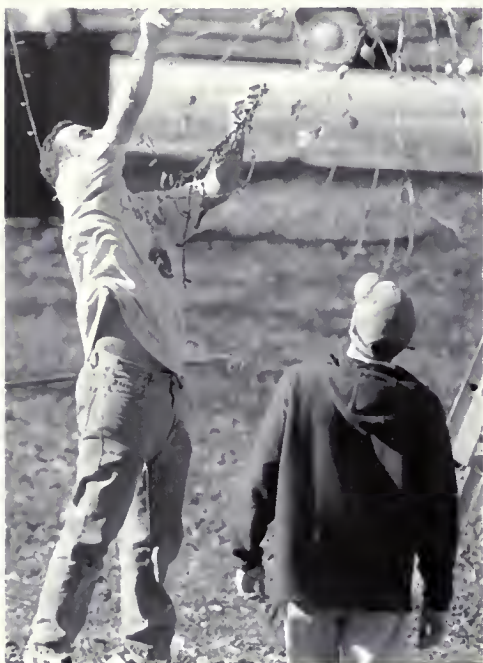


AFTER WINNING THE NCAA Division II National Championship, graduates Aaron Crowe, Brian Sutton, Steve Coppinger and Bob Baker, joined by Coach Mel Tjeerdsma, attend a makeshift graduation ceremony at their hotel in Florence, Ala. Five seniors earned their bachelor's degrees and three coaches earned their master's degrees. *Photo by Jason Myers*

AT THE ANNUAL decorating of Franklin Park decorators use poles to put Christmas lights up on a high tree. The decorations were a way for the Maryville community to show holiday spirit. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

AS A WAY to get into the holiday mode Maryville community members decorate Franklin Park. The decorations included lights, story books, a manger and north pole scene. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

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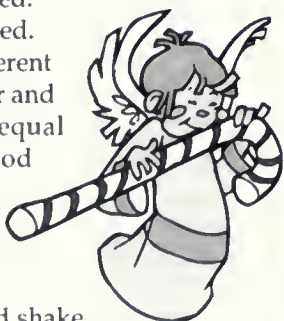
Holiday Craft Collection

Pasta Angels

Materials—Use pasta in various shapes: bow ties for the wings, large shells for the skirt, small shells for the head. Or any other substitute that would work.

Instructions

- Glue together into an angel shape.
- Paint if desired (usually white). Embellish with tinsel and chenille sticks for the halo.
- Paint a face on if desired.
- Add wool hair if desired.
- Color the pasta in different colors. Mix food color and rubbing alcohol in equal parts (eg. 3 tbsp food coloring, 3 tbsp of alcohol) and place pieces in a plastic ziploc bag.
- Put pasta pieces in and shake.
- Place on non-stick baking sheet at a low temp until dry enough to work with.
- For the legs, use little pieces of wire.
- One could go to the grocery store and look at all the pasta shapes to dream up anything desired.



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Ideas from the heart inspire creative holiday

by Amanda Scott

In an economy where college students survived on pinching their pennies, some students at Northwest found an easy way to remedy an expensive Christmas.

Courtney King made a wide assortment of gifts ranging from wooden snowmen to candles and from sweatshirts to wreaths. The cost of making the homemade gifts ranged from \$1-\$15.

"They were more personal, and they were cheaper," King said.

King received most of her ideas from craft magazines, which had patterns available. She said they were fun projects, but could get a little stressful.

"If I made one, then it was fun," King said. "If I made 10, then it was stressful. After Christmas it was a lot less stressful when I still had money though."

Lanetta Heller had a special talent that she put to use when Christmas came. As a child her grandmother taught her how to crochet. She had crocheted blankets since high school.

"It was something that I could do that was unique," Heller said.

Heller found satisfaction in giving homemade gifts.

"They could look at it and they knew I made it with my own hands," Heller said. "Whenever I made something like that it was like a part of me was put into it. That was my time that was spent."

Trellis VanBuskirk and Dixie Salisbury, two Wal-Mart craft section saleswomen, said their craft material usually sold out early, and that the craft section received their Christmas fabric in early summer. As soon as it came in, it started to sell.

"The most popular crafts I had seen made were Christmas bulbs, Styrofoam ornaments, pillows and angels," VanBuskirk said.

The product that was predicted to sell the most was fabric which sold for about \$4 per yard.

If the pocketbook was feeling a little thin around Christmas, and one was feeling creative, there were inexpensive gift ideas to be considered.



WAL-MART EMPLOYEE TRELLIS VanBuskirk works in the fabric department, cutting material for a customer. VanBuskirk said during the holiday season the material sold out quickly. Photo by Jason Myers

ROMAN TIMES MEET MARYVILLE

by Matthew Pearl

A love story filled with Roman culture and sexual innuendos came to the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, in the form of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

The play, set during the height of the Roman Empire, provided more than two hours worth of laughs for the audience. Encore's presentation of the show attracted a number of dedicated actors, including

"We are only here for one night. Learn the words for God's sake!" — Pseudolus

faculty and community members with, as Taylor's introductory character Prologus said, "Tragedy tomorrow; comedy tonight."

Pseudolus, the musical overseer and narrator who was also played by Taylor, kept the audience in stitches with cracks about Maryville and its small-town business district. In one such reference Taylor mentioned the Mandarin restaurant where the actor ate dinner before the performance.

"We were here tonight to worship the gods of comedy and tragedy." — Prologus

Hollywood comedian Rip Taylor.

Taylor and company entertained a full theater of students,

"When I asked where I could go to eat, they told me there was a new Chinese restaurant called The Aloha," Taylor said. "I did not stop because the bus was so big we could not turn, so we went to the Mandarin."

The liberty to use names of local people and businesses was an exclusive to Taylor during the performance.

"At intermission, I was able to break the fourth wall and talk to the audience with the producer's, director's and author's permission," Taylor said.

The crowd responded favorably, showing its approval with showers of laughter and applause.

"He interacted with audience," Jen Jensen said. "It did not seem like he was performing, and the crowd could get into it."

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" proved to be a success and the response was positive. Taylor and the cast reminded the audience that comedy and tragedy, with a

talented cast and hilarious storyline, combined for a night of entertainment.

"Did it get cold in here?" — Prologus, after a seemingly living statue removed his toupee





BROADWAY PRANKSTER RIP

Taylor entertains the Northwest community and students during "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." Taylor, who originally played the role of Psuedolus on Broadway, personalized the performance by adding Maryville landmarks such as the World Famous Outback to his monologues. *Photo by Jason Myers*

IN THE OPENING act of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," Miles Gloriosus and one of the Courtesans wave to the audience. The Courtesans lived at the house of Lycus, who sold the ladies to other men for wives. *Photo by Jason Myers*



THE SOLDIERS OF Miles Gloriosus introduce themselves to the audience in the opening number of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." Some of the soldiers played different roles during the production and provided comical relief. *Photo by Jason Myers*

MUSICAL EVENTS BRING CULTURE

HENRY ORCHESTRA

by

The campus began to swing when the Henry Busse Orchestra appeared for a concert to share the music that was gaining some new popularity with Generation X.

With the newfound popularity of swing, many students decided to attend the event.

As big band music filled the air, the audience clapped along to songs such as "Dixieland" and "Oh, Johnny."

Singer Star Atchison provided vocals for songs such as "I've Heard That Song Before" and "Why Don't You Do Right (Like Some Other Men Do)."

Students enjoyed the music and wished for a dance floor as they listened to big band music fill the air.

"I liked to swing, and I liked the music," Lori Casey said.

Some students made an appearance because of interest in an almost forgotten era of music. A slideshow in the background during the performance showed pictures of the one-time stars of big band.

"It was a good opportunity to hear old swing band," Matt Bonsignore said. "I loved the arrangement of 'Night and Day,' and it was cool that they had the pictures in the background."

"When Swing Was King" took the audience back to an era when big band was popular. It proved to be a showing that pleased the crowd.



Photo by Jason Myers

PIANIST ENID KATAHN

by

Northwest students were able to experience the talents of pianist Enid Katahn when she performed on campus. Katahn started her career at age three and brought nearly half a century's experience to the stage of the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

In addition to being a well-known pianist who averaged 50 concerts a year plus free performances for hospitals and senior citizens, Katahn served as a full-time faculty member at Vanderbilt University's Blair School of Music.

Raegan Fulmer was impressed with Katahn's musical performance and ability and also by how she responded to the audience and made the performance more personable.

"I liked how she talked in between her pieces," Fulmer said. "She seemed very human and full of life."

According to Encore performances, Katahn often combined her performances with classes and lectures.

Fulmer agreed with the hype surrounding Katahn, but admitted her opinion came with a certain bias.

"I love watching pianists, so it was a real treat for me," Fulmer said. "Sincerely though, she was an incredible performer and very entertaining."

Buffy Strong was taken by surprise concerning the overall performance.

"It was actually pretty good," said Strong. "I really liked it. It was not what I expected at all."

For only \$3, students witnessed a well-respected performer with an extensive background in music. Students agreed that it was worth the time and money.

JACK DANIEL'S BAND



Photo by Jason Myers

Jack Daniel's Original Silver Cornet Band at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

The stage was set for Saturday, June 5, 1905, in the town of Lynchburg, Tenn., population 361. Twelve musicians entered the stage wearing early 1900s fashions, with instruments in hand. Each member took their seat in the gazebo on stage and the time warp began.

They started with selections such as "Moore County Toodle-oo," "Back Home Again in Indiana" and "Alexander's Ragtime Band."

Later the band began to play selections not consistent with those that original small town bands would have played.

"It was great getting to hear 'A George M. Cohan Medley,' " Raegan Fulmer said. "I am a big fan of his. Overall, I found the entire evening a lot of fun and very different."

Kelly Daniels emphasized that she liked how the band played music that was not characteristic of the period.

"I thought it was a good overview of the music of that time, and I liked how they expanded on each decade," Daniels said.

After about two hours, the evening came to a close when the band played "America the Beautiful." Everyone was forced to return to the late 1900s once again. The audience experienced an early 1900s setting and sampled the music of an almost lost era.

JAZZ POET DAVID CLEWELL

by

The audience was small, but the enthusiasm was big when Jazz Poet David Clewell performed at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Clewell was a professor of English at Webster University in St. Louis. He was backed up by a six-piece jazz band during his performance for about 55 people on St. Patrick's Day night. Clewell and the Webster University Jazz Sextet performed music to 15 different poetry selections from works of famous poets to works that Clewell wrote himself.

Clewell's original pieces seemed to be the crowd's favorites of the performance. They enjoyed pieces such as "What Some People Won't Do," which was about two lovers who did not have much else on their minds. Another highlight was during the show's finale, when each of the six different instruments, a saxophone, trumpet, guitar, piano, bass and drums, were featured in a soloist role.

Although poetry was the basis of the event, the performance of the band was the crowd pleaser.

"I enjoyed the music better than the poetry," Halie Weigel said. "I enjoyed it when they played separately more than together, because you could hear each individual instrument."

Ellen Redding Kaler was impressed with the poetry.

"I was not that familiar with the music, but the readings were pretty good, especially the 'What Some People Wouldn't Do' poem," Kaler said.

After the performance, Clewell took time out to sign some copies of his books.

Although they may have been unaware of jazz poetry before the event, attendees left with knowledge of the unique art form.

JOSEPH'S 11 BROTHERS sing "Jacob and Sons" at the beginning of the show. They performed a variety of music styles which included western, calypso, and blues. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



THE NARRATOR, PLAYED by Jennifer Schrader, sings the prologue to the audience. At the end of the show the cast performed the "Joseph Megamix," a medley of songs complete with dancing and strobe lights. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

BECAUSE HE WAS the favorite son, Joseph received a technicolor dream coat from his father, which sparked the jealousy of his 11 brothers. Joseph, played by Adam Michaels, had the ability to predict the future by interpreting people's dreams. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



NIGHT OF BIBLICAL MAGIC

by Kelsey Lowe

A sold-out audience soared through a night of dazzling dreams and dancing with Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

Tickets to the musical sold out quickly.

"I know people who were begging for tickets," Chris Pack said. "A friend called me in tears because she could not get tickets, and she tried a month in advance."

"Could it be that I was born for higher things than you?" —

Joseph singing to his brothers in "Joseph's dreams"

coat. The gift empowered Joseph with psychic abilities.

Although the play was set in biblical times, many audience members identified with certain characters.

"We all dream a lot — some are lucky, some are not."

— Narrator singing in the "Prologue"

With a comedic flair, the musical told the tale of Joseph and his 11 jealous brothers after their father, Jacob, gave Joseph a multicolored

"I could kind of relate to the jealous brothers," Pack said. "I guess in a sense all of us were jealous brothers because if we saw something someone else had, we wanted it."

Many unexpected turns occurred during the show. At one point, the audience spotted the King (Elvis Presley)

in Egypt. While they might have expected to see an ordinary-looking pharaoh, what they saw instead left them "all shook up" with laughter.

The cast ended the show with the "Joseph Megamix," a nonstop rundown of all the songs with fast-paced choreography and strobe lights.

Although the performance lasted about an hour and a half, it

left an imprint on the minds of the audience

"It was very impressive,"

Adam Smith said. "It was the biggest and most entertaining

show Northwest had seen in a long time."

"This dream has got me all shook up, treat me nice and tell me what it means."

— Pharaoh singing in the "Song of the King"

ACTIVITIES BRING VARIETY

NORTHWEST

by

Northwest Week had more events take place than any other before it. Although it rained, there were four days of activities that took



Photo by Amy Roh

place all over campus to raise school spirit.

Two new events occurred on Monday: a street dance and the "Northwest Night of Champions," which celebrated the success of the Northwest athletic teams.

On Tuesday, an honors dinner was held. Wednesday, the One America Fair, as well as the Big Man on Campus competition, sponsored by Delta Zeta sorority, took place. Colby Mathews, who was sponsored by Sigma Kappa, won the contest. On Thursday, a carnival was held, and among games and attractions, students could ride a virtual reality machine. Later, 3PCSuit, formerly known as Distinguished Gentlemen, performed.

Also during Northwest Week, Katie Eidson was crowned Tower Queen and Tower Service Awards were handed out, sponsored by Student Senate and Campus Activity Programmers.

"I was really pleased with the participation and response that we got from people," Student Senate President Laura Zech said.

Northwest Week gave students and faculty a chance to show their school spirit and have some fun in the process.

HALLOWEEN

by

Many believed Halloween was just for kids, but no one mentioned that to the millions of college kids that dressed up each year. Northwest students were no exception and while many campus-sponsored events took place, there was a new addition to the Halloween menu.

The members of Tau Kappa Epsilon held a haunted house at their annex. It was open to the public, and while they believed it was scary enough for high school and college students, they toned it down for young children.

"We had different calls to let them know when kids were coming through, so it would not be too scary for them," TKE President Chris Peasley said.

Participants were charged \$1 at the door. Proceeds benefited the Special Olympics, which was the TKE's philanthropy.

"This was the first year," Peasley said. "So far it had been a really big success. We were looking to make it an annual event. We were definitely going to do this next year."

While many of the events surrounding Halloween were parties, there was one event that made a difference, and always seemed to have a good turnout.

Student Senate sponsored The Community Blood Center of Greater Kansas City's appearance at the University Conference Center and anyone who met the blood center's requirements could participate in the charitable event.

No matter how you chose to spend Halloween, there were plenty of places to find tricks and treats.

NIGHT OF 1,000 LAUGHS by

Night of 1,000 Laughs was an evening of stand up comedy.

Melanie Camarcho started the night off with comedy that women could relate to. She had a dialogue about how hard it was to date "these days," which University females could relate to, considering the high female to male ratio.



Photo by Jennifer Meyers

The audience responded well to Camarcho's humor. However, she was graphic at times, and some students did not like that.

"She was a little disgusting," Devon Black said. "It was okay. Some parts were funny."

Some students believed everyone could relate to Camarcho's female-related material.

"She spoke mostly about women, but men could understand," Jason Greer said. "She was a sister. I could relate because I am black also."

Pablo Francisco had a more varied dialogue. He also had many sound effects which he executed whenever he thought appropriate.

Some students felt that Francisco brought more variety to the stage than Carmarcho.

"He was funnier," Greer said. "All the animation (with his actions and body language) he had made it better."

It was evident from the animated gestures of the audience, and the roaring laughter, that they appreciated the comic relief. Night of 1,000 Laughs was a success with the audience.

TELEVISED FOOTBALL by

The game between Northwest Missouri State University and Missouri Southern State College provided a chance to promote the MIAA Division II schools when an opportunity to televise the game nationally arose.

"Metro Sports, which was a production company in Kansas City, was looking for some local programming and approached the MIAA commissioner's office," Director of Marketing/Promotions Ken White said. "They said, 'if you guys helped sponsor this we would show one of (the conference) games each week.'"

The Northwest Alumni Foundation sponsored "Big Screen Football Parties" in 12 cities across the country for Northwest's game.

One of the bigger showings was at the Scorecard in Omaha, Neb., where about 150 enthusiastic alumni congregated to watch the game on four big screen televisions that lined the party-room wall.

The parties were not the only way people outside Maryville could see the game via satellite. The St. Louis cable company and other companies broadcasted the game, Athletic Director Jim Redd said.

"It was broadcasted into about 1 million homes," Redd said.

Metro Sports gave MIAA football some coverage and allowed Bearcat fans across the country who normally could not attend games an opportunity to see the Bearcats in action.



Photo by Heidi Floersch

Changes and new events improve Greek Week

by Amy Smith

The idea behind Greek Week festivities was to help promote Greek unity rather than making it a competition.

The Greek Week committee, made up of individuals from all sororities and fraternities on campus, worked hard to find ways for Greeks to unite. This was accomplished by a scavenger hunt and kickball tournament.

Many sorority women thought it was a great idea to work with other Greeks.

"The scavenger hunt was fun," Julie Treadman said. "It was great to work with other Greeks instead of competing as one sorority."

Sigma Alpha and Alpha Kappa Lambda swept the canoe race. Delta Chi and Tau Kappa Epsilon capsized and received a first-hand look at Colden Pond. More points were awarded to the organizations for adviser participation in the event.

Colby Matthews was one of the individuals who landed in the pond.

"It was gross," Matthews said. "It was moist and squishy in there like a dirty diaper."

The Ultimate Frisbee Tournament was a new

competition. Unlike many of the other events, this was a contest between each organization. Members of Sigma Kappa and Sigma Phi Epsilon won those battles.

The format of Greek Sing also changed to make it more of a talent showcase. In the past, it had been held with all the groups gathered around the Bell Tower. In Spring the Greeks performed on the north steps of the Bell Tower with all of the other organizations, making an arch around the steps in order for everyone to hear and see what was going on. The winners of Greek Sing were Alpha Sigma Alpha and TKE.

"Greek Sing worked better because it allowed people to see the chapter performing," Greek



SIGMA KAPPA MEMBER Jen Boatright, "Hera," calls up the next participant for the Greek Sing. Zeus and Hera were selected to oversee all events and provide witty commentary during the events. Photo by Amy Roh

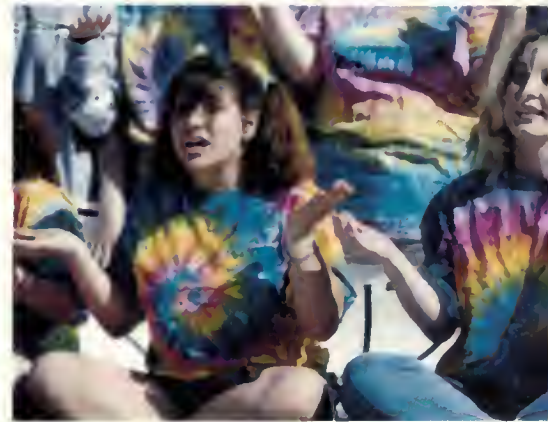
Week committee co-chair, Aja Rule said. "People could also see better, it put the chapter performing on a stage so the audience could see them."

Theta Chapter was alive and strong again with more members to provoke a higher level of Greek unity. This chapter was an organization formed just for Greek Week and was built entirely of enthusiastic

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COMPLETE WITH HAND motions Holle Spellman and Christina Norman from Delta Zeta compete with their sisters at Greek Sing. Delta Zeta was successful during Greek Week, receiving numerous awards including overall Greek Week philanthropy. *Photo by Amy Roh*



ALPHA GAMMA RHO Josh Wall, "Zeus" announces and entertains the crowd at the Greek Sing. At the Zeus and Hera tryouts Wall sang to a rubber ducky while he took a bath. *Photo by Amy Roh*

SIGMA PHI EPSILON Robert Ashentrop participates in tug-of-war at Greek Week. The Alpha Gamma Rhos won the tug-of-war. The games were a contest between the fraternities and sororities and was one of the most popular events of the week. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

Changes and new events improve Greek Week



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Greeks.

Many members enjoyed the chance to get to know other Greeks.

"I had a lot of fun," Dianna Cooke said. "I got to know a lot of other people, and we got away from all of the hassle of preparing for Greek Week and just had a good time."

Throughout the week, Greeks tried to raise an awareness of themselves by donating school supplies to area schools and reading to the children of Headstart and St. Gregory's school. The women of Delta Zeta and Sigma Alpha tied for donating the most items and time, and Phi Sigma Kappa won for the fraternities.

The Greek Feast and Olympiad finished off the activities. During the Olympiad, games such as tug-of-war, five-legged race, balloon toss and an obstacle course took place.

The week came to a close with the awards ceremony, allowing everyone to find out how their hard work had paid off.

The TKEs won awards in every event during Greek Week, and were proud of their accomplishments.

"We were impressed with ourselves," TKE president, Chris Peasly said. "We were proud of what we did and accomplished when we put our minds to it."

Rule thought the week was a huge success.

"We tried to do new things and listened to the concerns and needs of all the chapters," Rule said.

"Overall, we tried to make things so each chapter could succeed in different areas."

Greek Week changes were brought about by suggestions from each organization. Rule thought that the changes made Greek Week more successful.

"It was very well run," Rule said. "We had a good committee; they were organized. We kept the interests and needs of all chapters in mind when we made the changes."

The week was successfully brought to a close, leaving preparations to be underway for the next Greek Week festivities.



AT THE GREEK SING Tau Kappa Epsilon Matthew Hackett dances as his fraternity brothers sing 1950s style music. The TKEs earned awards for events such as Greek song, Philanthropy, Olympiad, and Banner. Photo by Amy Roh



SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA member, Michelle Falcon tries to stay on her feet as she dizzily races to the finish line after spinning around with her head to a baseball bat. The Tri Sigmas won the bat race and beat out the other sororities. *Photo by Amy Roh*

AFTER SLIDING THROUGH a combination of syrup, snack mix and mustard, Jeni Kenyon stops and laughs. The Greek Olympiad had a variety of events including a bat race, tug-of-war, a five legged race and a water balloon race. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Greek Week Awards

Order of Omega Awards

Outstanding Greek Sponsor: Kenneth Hill, Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Greek organization: sorority-Sigma Sigma Sigma; fraternity-Sigma Phi Epsilon

Overall Greek Week Awards

Greek Song: Alpha Sigma Alpha & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Philanthropy: Delta Zeta, Sigma Alpha & Phi Sigma Kappa

Olympiad: Sigma Sigma Sigma & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Overall Games: Sigma Kappa & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Banner: Alpha Sigma Alpha & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Overall Greek Games: Alpha Sigma Alpha & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Individual Results

Chariot Races: Delta Zeta & Delta Chi

Ultimate Frisbee: Sigma Kappa & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Canoe Race: Sigma Alpha & Alpha Kappa Lambda

Bat Race: Sigma Sigma Sigma & Delta Sigma Phi

Tug of War: Sigma Alpha & Alpha Gamma Rho

Five-Legged Race: Sigma Kappa & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Water Balloon: Sigma Sigma Sigma & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Obstacle Course: Phi Mu & Tau Kappa Epsilon

Chalk Draw: Phi Mu & Tau Kappa Epsilon

STUDENTS DANCE AT Lucky's, one of the many Maryville bars on a Saturday night. Lucky's, formerly the Sports Page, was a popular bar for dancing. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

AT MURPHY'S JASON Menefee watches an episode of "South Park," a popular cartoon on Comedy Central. Every Wednesday Murphy's aired "South Park" and had drink specials to attract more students. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Students search for fun in Maryville nightlife

by Jim Davies

Finding something to do in Maryville was just about as difficult as finding a parking spot on the Northwest campus, according to some students.

The bars were an obvious choice and were a big part of Maryville nightlife. With a variety of bars to choose from, students relied on specials and promotions to decide where to go. Murphy's, a small bar on the east side of town, gained customers by showing "South Park" on Wednesday nights and sponsoring drink specials.

"The turn out really did not surprise me," owner Brett White said. "I was just glad to see the students come down to this side of town for a good time."

While the personality at Murphy's did change a bit, most bars in Maryville held a steady persona. Students were often faithful to bars they enjoyed.

"I liked going to the Outback from time to time for the drink specials," Michelle Rebal said.

A large dance floor drew a crowd to Lucky's.

"I found that Lucky's had a good atmosphere to dance in and just get crazy with," Amy Brensel said.

However, going to the bar was not the only thing to do. Many students found other ways to

entertain themselves.

"Sometimes we would just get a bunch of friends together and have a movie night," Tina Kehr said. "It was cool to do something besides the bar, and who else could say they had seen 'Weekend at Bernie's' 23 times?"

Card games were another way students filled their evening hours.

"Besides drinking games, I loved playing spades and speed with friends," Brooke Bartels said.

There was also bowling at Bearcat Lanes. Many students found it to be a good stress reliever.

No matter what type of entertainment was desired, Maryville could accommodate. Whether it was bar hopping, knocking down a few pins or just hanging out and watching movies, Maryville had it. And studying was also an option.



AT ONE OF the local hot spots, Luckys, Nick Kemerling prepares to take his turn during a game of pool. Luckys offered dancing, pool, and nightly drink specials to stay competitive with other bars in Maryville. Photo by Jason Myers

Coordinator's planning makes event

by Jackie Tegen

The Saturday of graduation was different than any other during the school year. The halls were empty and the Union was closed, yet campus was as crowded as it was on the first day of class. However, the only students seen were those walking a straight line down the hall of Lamkin Activity Center into Bearcat Arena, black gowns and tassels swishing all the way.

The nervousness and excitement showed on all the faces as they walked past their families and professors toward the hundreds of empty seats reserved for them, and the 537 diplomas that awaited them on the stage.

The stage was set up and filled with administrators and distinguished speakers. Each of the 3,630 seats had been perfectly lined-up; a program sat on each.

While the graduates arrived at commencement, Commencement Coordinator Janice Childers, and several others already had been there for hours preparing for the ceremony.

"I got there at about 6 p.m. to wait for the florists and the organ to arrive," Childers said. "But

the grounds crew was there much earlier to make sure the stage was set up and the chairs were lined nicely. They also made sure the campus itself looked beautiful for the graduates and their families."

After the ceremony, the commencement committee made sure the reception on the fine arts lawn was ready for the graduates and their families.

"It was like being in a wedding or like the end of a journey," Childers said. "We wanted to make sure it was a wonderful memory for the students."

Months of preparations made commencement a special ceremony for graduates and their friends and families.



CORPORATE WELLNESS MAJOR Brenda Fletcher receives her bachelor's degree cum laude from Ron DeYoung, dean of the College of Professional and Applied Studies. There were about 537 graduation candidates present for the ceremony. *Photo by Amy Roh*



THE UNIVERSITY WIND Symphony performs "Academic Procession March" as graduates proceed into the arena. Al Sergel conducted the Wind Symphony throughout the graduation exercises. *Photo by Amy Roh*

RELATIVES AND FRIENDS of Northwest graduates watch a live broadcast of the ceremony in Charles Johnson Theater. Graduates could only invite four people because of limited seating. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



EXCITEMENT IS EVIDENT on Sarah Lund's and Corey Priest's faces as they enter the arena. Lund received a degree in pre-professional zoology and Priest received a degree in pre-professional biology. *Photo by Amy Roh*





Exuberant Victory

The Northwest softball team celebrates after winning a 19-Inning game against Missouri Western State College 4-3. The win earned Coach Pam Knox her 100th collegiate win.
Photo by Amy Roh


AFTER COMPLETING HIS painting, Brian Cornelius runs it through the press. Cornelius, an art major, cross country and track runner learned to manage his time between completing art projects and attending two practices a day. *Photo by Amy Roh*

THE CREATIVE PROCESS is not spoiled by the intensity of cross country training. Brian Cornelius, an academic All-American, finished 7th in the MIAA in 1997. *Photo by Amy Roh*



EDUCATION MAJOR SUE-ann Zeiger helps Haley Pypes and Anthony Groumoutis at Horace Mann Laboratory School. Zieger was a student teacher at Horace Mann and first baseman for the Bearcat Softball team. *Photo by Amy Roh*





Most often, athletes captured the spotlight on their respective playing fields. They were judged by athletic performance on game days. What most did not realize was that athletes at Northwest had lives apart from sports.

Athletes still had to attend classes and complete class work on top of their athletic commitments.

The University policy stated that any involvement in a University-sponsored event allowed that student to be excused from class when need be. Although teachers preferred that the athletes not miss their class, they understood the need to be flexible when it came to athletes and their schedules.

Football player Ryan George said team members tried to plan ahead so they would miss as few classes as possible.

"When we first signed up for classes, we were not supposed to take any classes past 2 p.m., unless it was absolutely necessary," George said. "By doing that we freed ourselves up to leave for away games without missing our classes."

Although George tried to attend all his classes, it was not always possible.

"I tried to go to as much class as I possibly could, but there were times when you could not help it," George said. "When situations came up and we knew we would not be able to make it, we were supposed to contact our professors and let them know. If there was still a problem, then we had the coaches talk to them."

Balancing both school and sports

BY BRAD BRENTLINGER

"DURING THE SPRING (BASEBALL) SEASON, I FOUND MYSELF MISSING CLASS TWO TIMES A WEEK, BUT IT WAS EVEN MORE WHEN WE WENT ON ROAD TRIPS," TODD HEINZ SAID.

Time management might have been a struggle for some, but the University policy and understanding instructors helped athletes stay on top of their academic careers and their sports.

MANY SIGNS SHOWED the appreciation for ESPN2's broadcast of the Division II National Championship game. Over 3,000 fans went to Florence, Ala., to see the Bearcats win the championship. *Photo by Amy Roh*





AS DEREK LANE reaches the end zone, Chad Thompson and Andy Erpelding celebrate the Bearcats first touchdown. Playing with an injured shoulder, Lane ran for 79 yards on 18 carries. Photo by Amy Roh

After fighting tough opponents all season, the Bearcats traveled to Florence, Ala., to play Carson-Newman

Team returns from Alabama champions

BY BRAD BRENTLINGER

College for the NCAA Division II National Championship.

Safety Frank Taylor hoped the championship game would bring Maryville some recognition. "Everyone wanted to pick it up for the game," Taylor said. "No one ever really seemed to know about Maryville, and we just wanted to put it on the map."

With rain pouring down on approximately 3,300 fans, the Bearcats began the first quarter and showed signs of early jitters. Neither team managed any points until the second quarter. Later, when the Bearcats were forced to punt the ball, Jeff LeBlanc kicked it downfield, where it rested on the 5-yard line. Carson-Newman's Ques Rumph picked up the ball and ran downfield. After 20 yards, he was smashed by Bearcat strong safety David Carlson, causing a fumble recovered by outside linebacker Joe Quinlan. The offensive team wasted little time. Quarterback Chris Greisen hit receiver J.R. Hill for a 14-yard gain. Running back Derek Lane finished it off by running 8 yards into the end zone, giving the Bearcats a 7-6 lead.

When soggy weather became a factor, the Bearcat defense shut out Carson-Newman for the rest of the half, giving the Bearcats a 17-6 lead at halftime.

In the second half, Carson-Newman found themselves further behind as the rain continued to pour at Braly Municipal Stadium. With 10:11 left in the game, Greisen and the offense stretched the lead, making the score 24-6. The rest of the game was a battle for the Eagles.

When the final whistle blew, Bearcat fans surged onto the field to congratulate their football team on an outstanding performance. Defensive end Adam Horn hoped the national championship would help bridge the gap between the college and Maryville residents.

"It was hard to put into words exactly what we had accomplished, but I thought we found the way to bring together both the students and the townspeople," Horn said.

AFTER THE BEARCATS 24-6 victory over Carson-Newman College, cornerback Twan Young celebrates. The win gave the Bearcats the national championship. Photo by Jason Myers

The win gave the Bearcats a perfect 15-0 season, the first team ever to do so in NCAA Division II football.



The Bearcats entered the playoffs with home-field advantage and performances of recent games suggested they could go all the way.

Undeafeated Bearcats prevail in postseason play

BY BRAD BRENTLINGER

With one week to prepare, the Bearcats hosted the University of Nebraska-Omaha. The Bearcats scored with a 78-yard drive on their first offensive possession. Although UNO scored on the next possession, the Bearcats scored again when wide receiver Tony Miles caught a pass from qaurterback Chris Greisen and ran 29 yards for a touchdown. Wide receiver Ryan George and Greisen later connected on an 11-yard pass. The Bearcats won the game **28-14**. Ghosts of playoffs past haunted the Bearcats as they prepared to host University of Northern Colorado. The Bears took the Bearcats out of the 1996 and 1997 playoffs.

"Ever since last year's loss, we knew that if we could get past Northern Colorado that we could go real far in the playoffs," Greisen said.

The Bearcats trailed late in the second quarter. Turnovers cost the Bears when they were intercepted by defensive tackle Aaron Becker. A return by Becker to the Bears' 30-yard line allowed a Bearcat touchdown. Three more touchdowns secured the **42-17** win.

One game away from the national championship game, head coach Mel Tjeerdsma was confident in his team as it prepared to play Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

"The reason for this team's success was that they had evolved," Tjeerdsma said. "They became more of a family, and, as the season had gone on, cared more and more about one another."

The Bearcats fell behind during the first half, but stayed focused. Greisen unloaded a 65-yard pass to wide receiver Willie Cohen, to put Northwest back ahead. Wide receiver Tony Miles later added one of his three touchdowns before the half.

Wide receiver Seneca Holmes and outstanding special teams play helped the Bearcat cause when Holmes blocked a punt recovered in the end zone by cornerback Twan Young for a touchdown. Northwest led 28-17 at halftime. Two more Kingsville touchdowns could not stop ferocious Bearcat play, highlighted by 14 and 86 yard touchdown passes of Miles and Greisen

The **49-34** win sent the Bearcats and their fans in cars, buses and airplanes to Florence, Ala., to face Carson-Newman College in their final showdown.





WIDE RECEIVER TONY Miles waits to catch quarterback Chris Greisen's pass. The 42-17 win against University of Northern Colorado allowed the Bearcats to continue in the playoffs. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

FANS RUSHED THE field to tear down the goalposts after the Bearcats won the final playoff game 49-34 against Texas A&M University-Kingsville. One of the posts was carried to Colden Pond, while the other was carried to the World Famous Outback and cut into souvenir pieces. *Photo by Jason Myers*



THE NORTHWEST DEFENSIVE puts pressure on University of Northern Colorado's quarterback Corte McGuffey. The defense sacked McGuffey once and intercepted four of his passes. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

Bearcat football fans witnessed the most exciting season in Northwest history when the team finished 15-0. This was the Bearcat's second consecutive undefeated regular season.

Opposition stunned by high scoring games

BY BRAD BRENTLINGER

On four different occasions, the Bearcats scored 50 or more points in a game.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma was pleased with his team's performance against opponents, even the ones that were not having an exceptional year.

"When we played Missouri-Rolla, we knew that they had been struggling, and that could have often caused a mental letdown, but this team played strong, and they always played as a team," Tjeerdsma said.

At the memorable game against Emporia State University, the Bearcats set a new school record for points in a game with 69. Tjeerdsma gained his 100th career win, and the win gave the Bearcats their third straight MIAA Championship.

One of the biggest turnouts all season, 7,700 fans were on hand to watch the Bearcats tame rival Pittsburg State University with a 23-18 victory. The big play came in the fourth quarter when defensive back Charlie Pugh returned a kick off 99 yards for a touchdown. With about a minute left in the game, Tjeerdsma opted to give up a safety and play a game of field position, forcing the Gorillas to go 80 yards with no time-outs left. The defense stopped the Gorillas final threat.

When the Bearcats took on Truman State University, quarterback Chris Greisen broke open the Northwest record book as he eclipsed last year's single season passing record that he set himself. Special teams killed the Bulldogs chances as they fumbled the punt snap and blocked another later in the game. The Bearcats came away with 41-7 victory.

Running back Kyle Sharp said the excellent team chemistry came from the senior leadership. "This year's group of seniors really showed leadership, and, by the end of the season, we were all playing on the same page," Sharp said.

With the regular season complete, the Bearcats prepared for the playoffs. Although they were perfect for 11 regular-season games, the best of the Bearcats was yet to come.

AS THE WAYNE State defense falls around him, wide receiver Tony Miles continues down the field. The Bearcats destroyed Wayne State 51-2. Photo by Amy Roh





RUNNING BACK DEREK Lane rushes past Wayne State defenders. Lane went on to rush 110 yards, helping the Bearcats secure their second win of the season. Photo by Jason Myers



Conference Games

Midwestern State	55-16
Wayne State	51-2
Missouri Western State College	45-32
Washburn University	38-31
Southwest Baptist	41-7
Pittsburg State University	23-18
Truman State University	57-12
Emporia State University	69-33
Overall conference record	11-0



Coaching staff: Coach Mel Tjeerdema, student assistant Craig Evans, student assistant Kenny Gordon, offensive line coach Bart Tatum, graduate assistant Matt Robinson, student assistant Mark Serve, defensive secondary coach Eamest Collins, defensive line/strength and conditioning coach Jon Gustafson, graduate assistant Larry Harmon, defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick, offensive coordinator Jim Svoboda, graduate assistant Jay Kaiser, student assistant Andy Schneider, graduate assistant Will Wagner. Roster: C. Pugh, S. Holmes, B. Sutton, J. Quinlin, J.R. Hill, G. Wayne, A. Crow, S. Counter, W. Cohen, T. Miles, C. Greisen, J. McMenamin, B. Thompson, A. Timmerman, A. Cowherd, C. Burke, D. Purnell, J. Nally, B.J. Sobczyk, T. Young, C. Hurd, T. Warren, K. Abdullah, R. Miller, M. Smith, D. Jansen, A. Crowe, Z. Dahlgren, D. Lane, T. Myers, F. Taylor, G. Bonnett, W. Vacek, E. Friedrich, G. Sutton, J. LeBlanc, K. Stewart, P. Seemann, J. Gassman, W. Simmons, T. Woolsey, D. Carlson, T. Sly, M. Felton, B. Williams, L. Wilson, S. Coppinger, D. Becker, A. Becker, J. Glab, D. Doll, A. Erpelding, K. Pavlich, J. Knutson, B. Cook, J. Tyler, W. Ragar, J. Beeck, J. Roesslein, J. Eilers, S. Wildemess, P. Glonosio, A. Smith, C. Thompson, B. Baker, G. Goudge, A. Tuttle, C. Stumpfenhaus, S. Wand, M. Williams, D. Luellen, R. George, C. Blakley, M. Maus, C. Bodenhausen, J. James, T.J. Schneckloth, M. Stewart, A. Buckwalter, J. Otte, S. Comer, B. Schertz, A. Horn, C. Sidwell, M. Voge, M. Sunderman, T. Cirrintano, C. Smith, B. Simpson.

AS THE CROWD roars and the players present the trophies for their undefeated season, Brian Sutton cheers with them. Sutton was one of the four team captains, along with Chris Greisen, Aaron Crowe and Steve Copping. *Photo by Valerie Mossman*

DURING CELEBRATION WEEKEND, the Bearcats gave fans the opportunity to receive their favorite players autographs. Punter Jeff LeBlanc signed a football for a fan. *Photo by Amy Roh*





The weekend of Jan. 30 gave Bearcat football fans the chance to celebrate the team and its season of accomplishments.

Saturday's events began with an autograph session for players and coaches at Bearcat Arena.

St. Joseph, Mo., residents Jeff Todd and his son Chris came to many of the football games and were pleased with the turnout at the autograph session.

"This was great because it really tied the community and the school together," Jeff said.

Mayor Bridget Brown made an appearance and gave a city proclamation at halftime of the women's basketball game. She also presented quarterback Chris Greisen with a gift for head coach Mel Tjeerdsma—a street sign bearing "Tjeerdsma St.," to be hung in Maryville.

Next, the championship trophies were presented at halftime of the men's game.

Sunday's celebration began with an award ceremony at Bearcat Arena. Those in attendance heard a special rendition of the Lynyrd Skynyrd hit "Sweet Home Alabama," with lyrics rewritten by cheerleading coach John Yates. Director of Athletics Jim Redd spoke and showed a highlight film recapping memorable footage from every game. When Tjeerdsma addressed the crowd, he said the events were a success because Maryville was a small community.

"What made this such a big story was many of our supporters and fans personally knew these kids," Tjeerdsma said. "They worked with them and became friends and, in a way, really felt



DURING HALFTIME, DIRECTOR of Athletics Jim Redd presents coach Mel Tjeerdsma with the Coach of the Year award. This was Tjeerdsma's first national championship at Northwest. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Weekend festivities celebrate historic season

BY BRAD BRENTLINGER

as if they had become a part of the team."

As the weekend concluded, the fans and the players were able to appreciate what the football team had done for the school and the entire Northwest community.

Conference Games

Truman State University	1-3, 0-3
Pittsburg State University	3-1, 3-0
Missouri Southern	3-2, 3-0
Southwest Baptist	3-1, 4-0
Central Missouri State University	0-3, 1-3
Eastern State	3-2, 0-3
Missouri Western State College	2-3, 1-3
Washburn University	2-3, 0-3
Overall MIAA Conference Record	7-9
Overall Record	21-12

MIDDLE HITTER ABBY Williams sets the ball during a match against Pittsburg State University in Bearcat Arena. Williams had 35 assists during the match, helping the Bearcats win 15-5, 15-5 and 15-7. Photo by Sarah Phipps



Front Row: Kristie Demmel, Jackie Peterson, Shelli Suda, Marie Gronkie, Abbie Sunderman, Lindsay Heek and Katie Thompson. Back Row: Asst. Coach Pam Knox, Graduate Assistant Carrie Lundy, Abbie Wilmes, Marissa Paul, Sarah Lafiore, Shannon Ross, Jennifer Monson, Julie Brophy, Jill Quast and Head Coach Sara Pelster.



When the Bearcat volleyball squad entered competition last fall, their opponents saw an inexperienced group of players. What no one could predict at that time was the intense leadership that would come from the squad of primarily first and second year players.

"Sophomores had been the mainstay of this team," coach Sarah Pelster said. "I was very pleased with their progress."

The Bearcats were picked to finish seventh in the MIAA preseason poll, which motivated the team to rally for a final ranking in fifth place—three better than the season before.

"We set high goals," Pelster said. "After finishing eighth in conference last season, it was a big jump to finish in fifth."

Moving up in the MIAA, a conference which seemed to perennially send a contender to the national tournament, was no small task, according to Pelster. Especially when the team's injuries were taken into account.

"Injuries were a big factor all season," Pelster said.

The team persevered in spite of the number of players that continued to miss games.

"We had to move some players to different positions," Pelster said.

Injuries kept the team from hitting a true peak for the season, but a definite high point was the group's performance in its four tournaments. The Bearcats won the Huntsville, Ala., tournament and went on to finish 3-1 at Montevallo, Ala. The squad later went 3-1 in the Drury College and Simpson College tournaments.

The team's goals for the next season included first and foremost a run for the national tournament.

IN MIDAIR, JILL Quast prepares to spike the ball to her Washburn University opponents. Although the Bearcats came close to winning every game Washburn won 3-0. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Netters finish higher than preseason prediction

BY MATTHEW PEARL

"WE GOT THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY SEVERAL TOUGH TEAMS IN A SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME," JILL QUAST SAID. "IT GAVE US A CHANCE TO PERFORM VERY WELL."

"We wanted most to be playing somewhere in December next season," Pelster said.

Bearcat Distance Classic
Third place
Dana College Open
First place
Roy Giac Invitational
Eighth place
Emporia State Invitational
First place
MIAA Championship
Second place
Great Lakes Regionals
First place
NCAA Division I Championship
Fourteenth place

AT THE TEAM'S only home meet of the season, Bryan Thornburg tries to pass a runner from Washington University. The men's team placed third overall in the Bearcat Distance Classic. *Photo by Amy Roh*

AT THE MIAA conference championships in Pittsburg, Kan., Bryce Good comforts Brian Cornelius after the race. Cornelius finished 14th. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Front Row: Bryce Good, Corey Parks, Donald Ferree, Matt Johnson, Kyle Daily, Bryan Thornburg, Joshua McMahon, Clay Cox and Jimmy Rambur. Back Row: Coach Richard Alsup, Randy McCleary, Joshua Heihn, Ryan Brocksmith, Robby Lane, Craig Robertson, Brian Hula, Mike Ostreko, Bruce Dunlap, Matt DiPretore and Brian Cornelius.





The men's cross country team capped off an impressive season with a 13th place finish at the national meet in Lawrence, Kan.

"That would have not been possible without the teamwork and group effort that was put in by the team," Brian Cornelius said. "Without the group effort, we would never have stood a chance."

The road to nationals was not an easy one for the Bearcats. They began with a third place finish at the Bearcat Distance Classic. While the team did not run as well as it had hoped, the group did not let it ruin its focus going into the Dana College Open. The Bearcats won the open and placed all five top runners in the upper 10 places.

"I think we ran really well in Dana," coach Rich Alsup said. "We improved on all of the problems from the distance classic and prepared ourselves for the rest of the season."

The men continued winning by placing first in the small college division of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln meet. They placed first out of 16 teams with a score of 74 points. The Bearcats then went to the Roy Giac Invitational in Minnesota and managed an eighth place finish out of 33 teams with Robby Lane finishing 13th overall. The Bearcats continued by winning the Emporia State Invitational and the All Missouri/Border States Championship in St. Louis. Both meets helped the team prepare for the MIAA conference meet.

"We ran well at conference and came close to beating Central Missouri (State University)," Cornelius said. "Close was not winning the meet however, and it still hurt us to come so close to winning but not win."

The Bearcats took that frustration out at the regional cross country meet and dominated the competition and placed

first. With this victory, the team qualified for the national meet. The Bearcats finished with 311 points and finished above all of their MIAA conference rivals.

**Teamwork
helps
group
prove
worth**

BY DEREK MCDERMOTT



The Bearcats ran with their opponents stride for stride during the cross country season.

While the Bearcat women did not qualify for nationals, they made large strides in building a stronger team. Head coach Vicki Wooton felt the season went well overall considering the youth of the team.

"We lost four out of the five top runners from last year's squad," Wooton said. "With the young runners that jumped up into the top five this season, I felt we performed well."

The team showed they had learned from the Bearcat Distance Classic by going all out the next week at the Dana College Open, finishing 36 points in front of second place Dana with a score of 17 points. The Bearcats ran the next week at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Open and placed sixth overall in the small college division with several girls placing in the top 10.

The Bearcats followed up the Lincoln meet with two consecutive second place finishes at the Doane College Open and the Iowa State Memorial Classic in the small colleges division.

"The team ran well at both meets, and I thought they primed themselves for the upcoming conference meet, which was the toughest of the year," Borgstadt said.

While the Bearcat girls did not win the conference title, they were only 10 points behind number one and finished in fourth place. Perennial powerhouse Missouri Southern won the

meet with Truman State University, Pittsburg State University, and Northwest finishing right behind them.

"We ran well at conference overall as a team," Wooton said. "All of the conference teams were young, so it was a real test for the future."

The Bearcats went into regionals and finished above conference rival Truman State and only nine points behind Missouri Southern.

With the sixth place finish at the regional meet, the Bearcats hoped to be a much improved team next season.

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Runners take steps toward success

BY DEREK McDERMOTT





AT THE MIAA conference championship in Pittsburg, Kan., Amber Martin keeps the pace of competing runners. Martin placed 20th at the race, one second behind teammate Rebecca Glassel. *Photo by Jason Myers*

RUNNING SIDE BY side at the MIAA Championship in Pittsburg, Kan., Rebecca Glassel and Sarah Hundrup finished 19 and 25. Overall the Bearcats finished fourth with a team time of 19:39. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Bearcat Distance Classic	Third place
Dana College Open	First place
University of Nebraska	Second place
Doane College Invitational	Second place
Emporia State Invitational	First place
Nebraska State Men's Invitational	Fourth place
MIAA Championships	Fourth place
Great Lakes Regional	Sixth place



Front Row: Megan Carlson, Kim Scarborough, Lisa McDaniel, Stacey Otto and Gina Gelatt. Back Row: Coach Vicki Wooten, Christi Martin, Amber Martin, Lindsay Borgstadt, Sarah Handrup and Rebecca Glassel.

St. Mary's of Leavenworth	0-2
William Jewell College	5-2
University of Kansas	0-2
Drake University	10-2, 1-0
Missouri Southern	4-2, 3-2
University of Nebraska-Lincoln	3-2
NIRSA Tournament	Third place
<i>Overall Record</i>	6-2

MIDFIELDER MELISSA COLE struggles to retain possession of the ball during a match against Missouri Southern. Northwest won the match by scoring in the 89th and 90th minutes of play. The final outcome of the match was 4-2. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

NORTHWEST SOCCER CLUB player Erin Wallace attempts to steal the ball from a University of Nebraska-Lincoln player. Northwest beat UNL, 3-2, finishing their season with the winning record of 6-2. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Front Row: Jennifer Krause, Katy Adams, Melissa Simon, Sharon Boswell, Katherine Leach, Danielle Saunders, Erin Malone, Jarusha Sluss and Liz Nowiszewski. Row 2: Lexi Isaacson, Jennifer Hayes, Monica Kepler, Katie DeHardt, Jennifer Egger, Jessica Tesmer and Nicole Pebley. Back Row: Dr. Greg Roper, Lindsay Jones, Kelly Coffee, Natalie Shepard, Katie Smith, Amy Weekly, Melissa Cole, Jennifer Heath, Laura Hampton, Andrea Sacco and Dave DiBernardo.





Finishing third at the national soccer meet in Georgia was a great ending for the Bearcat soccer season. They finished behind two Division I powerhouses, Florida State University and Colorado State University.

While the squad was not yet a varsity team, they would officially become a varsity sport in 1999. However, that did not stop the Bearcats from having a great season. The Bearcats ended the season with a 6-2 record overall.

The women started out with a loss to the St. Mary's of Leavenworth but bounced back with a 5-2 victory over William Jewell College.

The Bearcats, however, lost the next game to a tough University of Kansas squad. The loss did not declaw the Bearcats as it battled back to win the rest of the matches for the season.

The girls put all doubts to rest going into a double header with Missouri Southern. The two matches gave the Bearcats the momentum needed for the rest of the season.

"I loved winning the games against Missouri Southern," Lindsay Jones said. "Missouri Southern was a dirty and aggressive team who made us earn the victories and helped us to improve."

With two more quick victories, the Bearcats finished the regular season with a 6-2 record and a trip to the national soccer meet in Georgia. The Bearcats went into nationals with a will to win and performed well, making it into the semi-finals before being ousted by Florida State and Colorado State.

"The national meet was huge for us," Katherine Leach said. "I thought it would be a great experience for when we started conference play next season."

The experiences of the season and high placing finish at the national tournament proved the women's soccer club was ready for varsity status.

Team gets varsity experience ahead of schedule

BY DEREK MCDERMOTT



"I THOUGHT THE TEAM LEARNED A LOT FROM THE FIRST GAME TO THE SECOND," LINDSAY JONES SAID. "WE PLAYED A LOT MORE AS A TEAM AND NOT WITH SO MUCH SELFISHNESS."

Intramural sports allowed competition among students.

The intramural schedule kicked off with softball, which was previously played in spring.

"I was really glad they finally moved softball to the fall,"

Aaron Hunderdosse said. "It seemed like every spring we would only play one or two games because of the weather; now we could play every week."

Once softball concluded, the focus was turned to the flag football championship.

The men of Sigma Phi Epsilon were in the winner's circle with Ep Yours, their championship team. The women of Alpha Sigma Alpha squeezed victory from the Sigma Kappas. A trophy also went to the Diamond Cutters, who dominated the independent men's intramural scene.

Next up was the tradition of tug-o-war in the form of the Battle of the Beef competition. Fraternity and sorority members watched the men of Alpha Gamma Rho and the women of Sigma Kappa each take home a championship.

The Sig Eps and Sigma Kappas displayed their intramural dominance in wallyball by winning a championship a piece, while the Falcons, a male and female team won the independent division.

The Schick 3-on-3 basketball tournament was held with the independent men's team, the Pritchett's Mules, and an independent women's team, Alpha Sigma Kappa, taking home the titles.

Spring determined overall intramural supremacy with events like the free throw contest, the spot shot contest, co-recreational 2-on-2 basketball and 5-on-5 basketball. Other events included spades, table tennis, volleyball, racquetball and the intramural golf meet to be held at the Mozingo golf course.

Intramurals provide students athletic entertainment

BY TED PLACE



IN INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL Justin Beeck and Andy Erpeding compete against other students. Intramurals gave students who did not play in official sports a chance to compete with other students. Photo by Heather Epperly



SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA members Anna Jordan and Pam Lerch compete against other students in the annual Battle of the Beef competition. Intramurals provided a chance for students to interact outside the classroom. *Photo by Heidi Floersch*

AS THE SUN sets in the west, students continue to play intramural tennis. Northwest offered tennis doubles in the fall. *Photo by Heidi Floersch*



Intramural Scores

3-on-3 Schick Basketball

Men's-Pritchett's Mules

Women's-Alpha Sigma Kappa

Co-ed 2-on-2 Basketball

Thompson/Mason

Walleyball

Fraternity-Sigma Phi Epsilon

Sorority-Sigma Kappa

Co-Rec-Falcons

Swim Meet

Fraternity-Alpha Kappa

Lambda

Sorority-Delta Zeta

Pickle Ball

Fraternity-Ryan Dold

Sorority-Jill Roasa

Battle of the Beef

Fraternity-Alpha Gamma Rho

Sorority-Sigma Kappa

Women-Sigma Kappa New Members #1

Cross Country

Fraternity-Justin Engelhardt

Men-Jonathan Cook

Sorority-Pamela Lerch, Jeanne

Sibbersen, Sigma Sigma Sigma,

Kristen Wheeler, Sigma Kappa

Women-Sara Bunch

Punt Pass Kick

Men-Brain Strider

Women-Jenny Vidaeak

Tennis Doubles

Fraternity-Ryan Dold/Brandon Mattys

Men-Dallas Ackerman/Mike

Lock

Sorority-Jenny Fahlstrom/

Kerry Tankesley

Homerun Hitting Contest

Men-Mike Greywald

Women-Stacey Trunure and

Marta Hayes

Softball

Fraternity-DC Nationals

Men-Dimond Cutters

Sorority-Sphinterkickers

Women-Carp 2

After losing to the Pittsburg State University Gorillas, the men's basketball team prepared to face the Central Missouri State University Mules. Northwest had beaten the Mules in Warrensburg just 12 days before and was ready to face a vengeful team.

By intermission, Northwest held the lead 40-33, but with 50.8 seconds left in the game, Chris Glasper's hot hand gave CMSU a 75-72 lead. Just seconds later, Glasper was in a key situation. He missed the second of two free throws, giving the ball back to Northwest. With under 10 seconds left, Maurice Huff dribbled the length of the court and drew a foul. With seven

seconds left and a two point deficit, the Bearcats' chances of victory were slim. After Huff missed on his second foul shot, LeVant Williams acted quickly on a rebound. The crowd watched in anticipation as he leaped and tipped the ball into the basket to tie the game at 80.

With an excited crowd and a rejuvenated spirit, Northwest entered overtime. Freshman point guard Ke'Lan Mitchell entered the game and contributed four points, two steals and a rebound.

"Even though he did not have a lot of experience, Ke'Lan was one of our best defenders," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "When a lot of the guys were tired, he gave the team an emotional boost."

After outscoring CMSU by 10 points in overtime, Northwest won the game 97-87. The game was highlighted by Huff's 29 points and Williams' 20.

"It was a very good win," Tappmeyer said. "It gave the team a lot of confidence."

After beating Washburn College at Washburn 69-66 and Missouri Western State College 82-74, the Bearcats went to Kirksville to fight the Truman State

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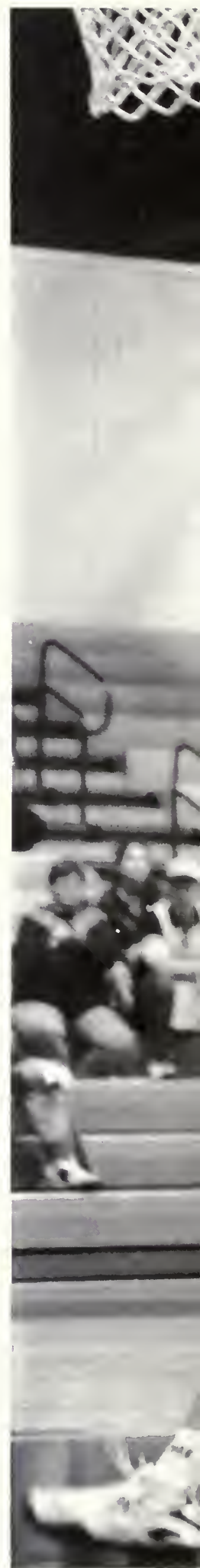
Close games highlight season, conference championship

BY ERIC DAVIS

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"I WAS VERY
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TAPPMAYER SAID.
"WE WERE VERY
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NATIONAL
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NORTHWEST'S CLIFF HUGHES attempts a jump shot during a first round game against Graceland College at the Ryland Milner Classic. The Bearcats won the game, giving head coach Steve Tappmeyer his 165th win. Photo by Jason Myers





Conference Games
University of Missouri 83-84 79-83 84-85

Lincoln University 78-86 89-81

Missouri Western State College 77-79 66-78

Pittsburg State University 56-82

LEADING REBOUNDER MATT Redd pulls down a rebound for another chance to score for the Bearcats. The 70-62 victory over the Benedictine College Ravens opened the Bearcats' season. *Photo by Amy Roh*



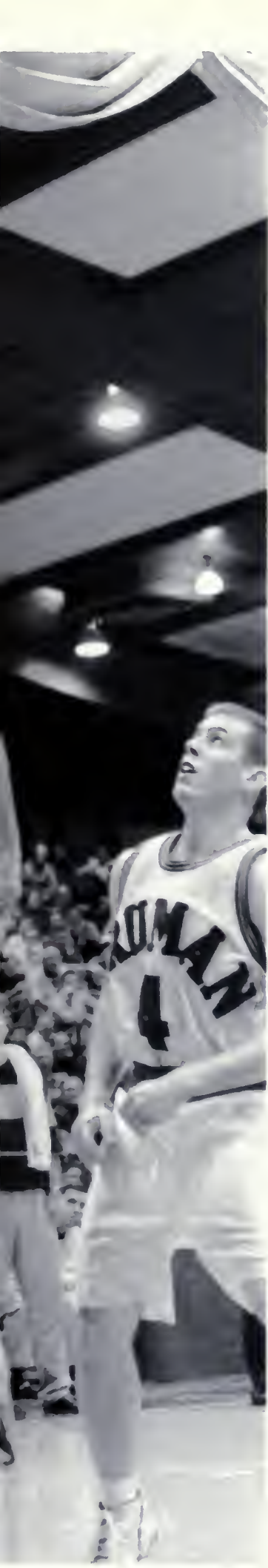
Front Row: Kareem Preston, Mike Morley, Phil Simpson, Maurice Huff, Joe Prince, Cliff Hughes and Ke' Lan Mitchell. **Back Row:** Marcus Glenn, Matt Redd, LeVant Williams, Chns Borchers, Leonard Fields, Jason Bass and Taryl Franklin.

WITH ONLY ONE second on the timeclock, head coach Steve Tappmeyer gives his players instructions. The Bearcats lost the game, 72-68. Photo by Sarah Phipps



NORTHWEST CHEERLEADERS ENCOURAGE the crowd to make noise. A busload of fans drove to Truman State University to cheer on the Bearcats. Photo by Sarah Phipps





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University Bulldogs for the MIAA championship. Senior forward Matt Redd thought the hard work had paid off.

"We battled hard all year," Redd said. "Things started coming together at the end."

Truman was known for running a complex offense and executing their plays well. Forward Corey Parker was Truman's leading scorer, playing a physical, hard-nosed style of basketball.

"We tried to defend him with different people," Tappmeyer said. "When he got the ball, we rotated over to help."

Inspired by a rowdy crowd, Truman came out firing all cylinders. Their guards penetrated Northwest's defense. When the defense collapsed to the ball, the

Bulldogs passed to Parker, giving him open shots.

After falling behind early, Northwest regained composure and led for much of the first half.

In the second half, Truman came out with a vengeance. With the score tied at 68, Huff fouled Jason Reinsberg with one second left. Reinsburg made both free-throws to give Truman a 70-68 lead. The Bearcats threw a pass to Williams in desperation, but it was intercepted by Truman's defense, stomping out Northwest's chances at a conference championship.

In the locker room, Tappmeyer reaffirmed his pride in his team.

"I told our players, 'I have not been any prouder of a team that won a game,'" Tappmeyer said. "I thought their effort was great and we had six seniors on this team that did not want to quit playing. You had to love what they did for our program and what they meant to us. You hated to sit there and see how bad they were hurt."

NORTHWEST'S TARYLL FRANKLIN just clears the outreached arms of a Truman State University opponent. Northwest lost the MIAA championship game 68-70. The Bearcats made 26.7 percent of their field goals attempts in the second half. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

Close games highlight season, conference championship

The the team did not win a conference championship, but won the respect of Tappmeyer, a tough critic.

"WE HAD HARD-CORE FANS THAT STUCK WITH IT FROM BEGINNING TO END, BUT THE STUDENT SUPPORT SUCKED," MAURICE HUFF SAID.

If one game could have summed up the women's basketball season, it would have been the loss to rival Central Missouri State University.

The Bearcats exploded to a big lead early over the Mules but

allowed CMSU to work its way back into the contest and eventually steal another potential victory from the paws of the Bearcats.

Winstead said he was disappointed with the way things went for the Bearcats during the season but understood it was not for lack of effort by his players or the coaching staff.

"I was a little disappointed in the season because I thought probably by midseason we would gel," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "I thought we played hard, but we just never did get to that point we thought we would reach."

Junior forward Brandi Grigsby-Shannon said she was disappointed that the team did not make the MIAA tournament.

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"I really felt like we should have made it into the tournament," Grigsby-Shannon said. "We lost some games we should have won. I felt like we were a better team than we showed."

The team had no seniors. Winstead believed that would help the team next season since all the players would remain together. Winstead said the experience the younger players gained should have prepared them for future MIAA competition.

Grigsby-Shannon agreed that the added experience of the season should have been a big asset for next year but said the team still needed to improve in many facets of the game.

"I thought experience helped any situation," Grigsby-Shannon said. "We needed to improve individually. We also needed to concentrate on playing for 40 minutes and giving 110 percent while we were out there."

AS SHE STEALS the show, Kristin Anderson flies past a Lincoln University opponent. Anderson scored 8 points in the game to help the Bearcats win, 92-68. Photo by Sarah Phipps

Losses distract team's talent

BY SCOTT SUMMERS





Conference Games

University of Missouri-Rolla
67-49, 57-67

Lincoln University
74-53, 73-46

Missouri Western State College
66-90, 69-94

Pittsburg State University
57-80



NORTHWEST FORWARD BRANDI Grigsby-Shannon completes another two points for Northwest, making her the leading scorer of the game with 15 points. Northwest met up with William Jewell College on their home court during the Ryland Milner Classic. Photo by Sarah Phipps

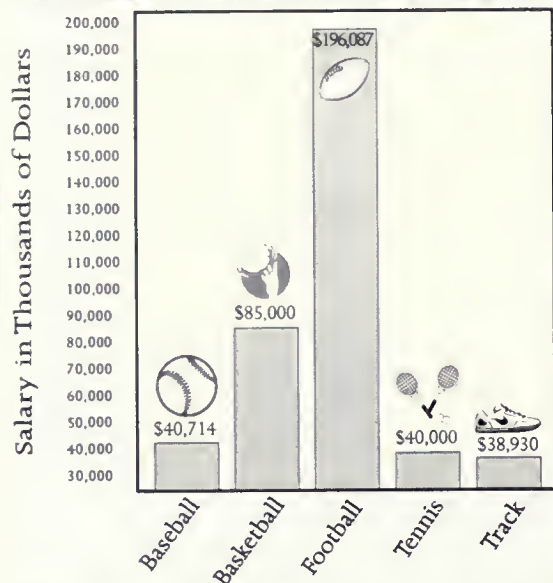


Front Row: Terra Bukovec, Becky Wheeler, Liza Gualandi, Marcy Ruckman, Amy Coy, BryAnn Cook and Amanda Winter. Back Row: head coach Wayne Winstead, graduate assistant Les New, Brandi Grigsby-Shannon, Kristin Anderson, Denise Sump, Linda Mattson, Kristi Niklasen, Julie Gnbble, student assistant P.J. Sanders and assistant coach Christy Prather.

PLAYERS ASSEMBLE AS football head coach Mel Tjeerdsma discusses the team's strategy during a game against Wayne State College. The budget that paid football coaches was close to \$200,000. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Accumulative 1998-99 Mens Coaches Salaries



Source: 1998-99 NWMSU Education and General Operating and Auxiliary Enterprises Budget





After experiencing a national championship, speculation surrounded the amount of money the University was willing to invest to keep head coach Mel Tjeerdsma coaching the Bearcats.

According to Mary Throener, director of human resources, a national championship alone would have a limited effect on a salary increase.

"The coaches, like any faculty or staff member at Northwest, were given salaries based almost entirely upon marketing data," Throener said. "We looked at the amounts other coaches made at various colleges and universities in the country."

According to the 1998-1999 budget, salary amounts dedicated to coaches and sports varied. Compared to the salary budget of nearly \$200,000 allotted to Tjeerdsma and his three assistants, the budgets of sports that failed to bring large amounts of public revenues were much smaller.

The men's track team coach Richard Alsup received about \$39,000. He coached men's cross country and track with women's track and cross country coach Vicki Wooton. He assisted Wooton but received no extra money for doing so. Alsup said the track team wanted a full-time assistant coach.

"Northwest's track program encompassed about 75-90 athletes total," Alsup said. "For the sake of those dedicated individuals, some more help would certainly have been a positive addition."

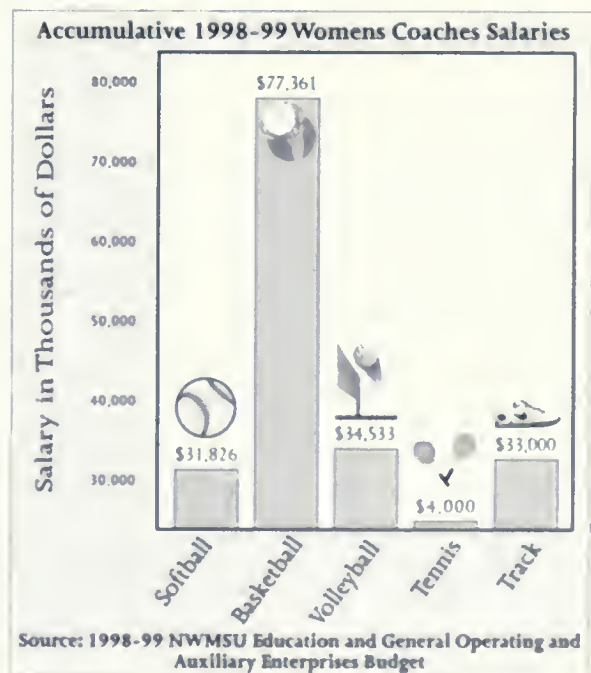
Despite low salary figures, Alsup said every

coach was committed to their athletic program.

AS A TIMEOUT is called, men's basketball coach Steve Tappmeyer encourages players. An \$85,000 budget paid basketball coaches' salaries. Photo by Jason Myers

Coaches stay dedicated despite salary discrepancies

BY MATTHEW PEARL



The men's tennis team had the odds against them. The year looked promising with five players returning from the spring season, until that number was cut to two when the only remaining players were Brandon Willett and Kornel Romada. Brett McConnell and Christian Gustafsson were two of the newcomers who rounded out the top six players.

"With only two players returning, this was definitely a rebuilding year," Willett said.

One of the biggest setbacks came in August, when Coach

Mark Rosewell suffered a heart attack. Graduate Assistant Brian Surface filled in temporarily,

Team endures through difficult season

BY ERIC DAVIS

"THE YOUNG GUYS REALLY HAD A LOT OF TALENT," KORNEL ROMADA SAID. "I WAS PRETTY SATISFIED. EVERYONE GOT A LOT OF EXPERIENCE. WE REALLY BONDED AS A TEAM. I THOUGHT WE HAD DEVELOPED PRETTY GOOD DEPTH."

and was later replaced by Graduate Assistant Ricardo Aguire.

"(Coach Aguire) was very encouraging, but demanding," Willett said. "He put (in) lots of long hours to bring us along."

One of the crowning moments was during a tournament in St. Joseph, Mo. Aguire had moved Willett up to the No. 3 spot. Willett responded to this vote of confidence by having one of his best matches against a player from Southwest Baptist University.

Willett's opponent began the match playing an aggressive game with a very powerful serve. He was able to take a 2-0 lead on Willett.

"Coach Surface came out and settled me down," Willett said. "He told me not to stop, and that the match could still be won."

Once Willett regained his composure, he took the match 6-2. That win was especially meaningful since Willett had lost to a Southwest Baptist player in the spring season.

By the end of the fall season, the team made great strides toward improving. The coaches were confident that with time, the young players would blossom into seasoned veterans.

The men's tennis team got more than its share of adversity. But, they fought the hardships and became a better team because of it.





Tennis Scores

Colorado Christian	2-7
University of Missouri-Rolla	6-3
Dury College	7-2
Mankato State	6-3
Washburn University	1-8
Rockhurst College	3-6

AS KORNEL ROMADA prepares to volley across the net, he focuses on the ball. Romada ended the season with a 7-9 individual record. *Photo courtesy of Chuck Holly*

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Front Row: Steve Nichols, Ben Coffman and Christian Gustafsson. Back Row: Graduate Assistant Brian Surface, Brett McConnell, Kornel Romada, Brandon Willett and Scott Magdziak

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Washburn University

Baker University

NCAA Regionals


NUMBER THREE SEAT Northwest tennis player, Sherri Casady returns the ball. Casady finished the season with a overall record of 66-18 and a season record of 16-5. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

6-3 TAKING A FOREHAND swing Jane Clark hits the ball. The women' tennis team finished the season with a overall record of 20-5. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Front Row: Angela Scott, Regan Dodd, Yasmine Osborn and Julie Ervin. Back Row: Graduate Assistant Brian Surface, Ellen Stubbs, Gina Hayes, Jane Clark and Assistant Coach Sherri Casady. *Photo courtesy of Chuck Holley*





The women's tennis team expected a challenge in their fall season. All American Yasmine Osborn and sophomore standout Ellen Stubbs both expected great things.

The challenge the team faced however, was off the court. The team's coach, Mark Rosewell, suffered a heart attack in August.

"I was surprised and concerned," Interim Coach Rene Rameriez said. "I did not have any idea this had happened."

Without Rosewell, the team depended on a crew of assistants to pull together and guide the team through its misfortune.

"I think everybody grew a little more responsible," Osborn said. "We had to be more independent."

In October, the women met a true test of their abilities at the Rolex Regional Tournament. The intensity was heightened, and a slew of international players were added to the mix. One of the defining moments for the women's team came in the singles tournament.

After advancing to the second round, Osborn met Washburn University's Marissa Moment. The stakes were raised because the two had known each other since the beginning of their tennis careers.

"The first set was really close," Osborn said. "I got nervous. All the pressure was on me. She did not have anything to lose."

Despite being anxious, Osborn executed her strategy to perfection.

"She had a weak backhand," said Osborn. "But, she was very good at the net. She also had a tremendous forehand. I tried to keep her deep in the court and away from the net."

Although Osborn lost in the next round of the tournament, her win against Moment was an example of the team's relentless nature.

"I think we were very determined," Stubbs said. "We were always trying to improve."

In spite of problems that arose, the women's tennis team developed more team unity and stood without flinching against their toughest foes, both on the court and off.

Unity pulls team through season

BY ERIC DAVIS

"I PRIDED MYSELF ON BEING MENTALLY TOUGH," YASMINE OSBORN SAID. "(MARISSA MOMENT) WAS A GOOD PLAYER, BUT I WAS CONFIDENT. YOU JUST HAD TO HAVE AN ATTITUDE."



A regular season matchup against Washburn University turned out to be a win, but would not pull the Bearcats through to the postseason. The Ichabods had split the first two games with the Bearcats, and the season series came down to a third and final game.

Even with the late season heroics of Shane Bradley and the Bearcats, it would not bring the team the conference title. Washburn knocked off the Bearcats 0-2, in a best-of-three series.

"We did not take them lightly or for granted, but we felt confident going into the series playoff that we could take two out of three," coach Jim Johnson said. "Instead we were upset."

The Bearcats finished 22-18, and placed third in the MIAA conference regular season.

However, the team failed to meet some of its goals going into the season. One goal was to average seven runs per game, and they averaged just above five per contest. The team also hoped to have a batting average of .310, but only had .301. However, the team did achieve its goal of a team earned run average of below 4.00.

Johnson said he was pleased with the way his team played all year and could never be disappointed with the team's effort.

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Playoff loss keeps team from postseason

BY COLIN MCDONOUGH AND SARA RAMSEY

"All in all, our team performed very well on the field," Johnson said. "They were guys that were dedicated, internally motivated and had great leadership. It was just a real fine season. They performed beyond our initial expectations in the fall because they were dedicated."

Despite unmet goals and disappointments, the Bearcats had a young, skilled team to build from.

NORTHWEST STARTER, DOUG Clark, pitches in the first game of a double header April 5 against Missouri Western State College. The Bearcats lost the first game 4-16 and went through three relief pitchers before completing the game. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*





WITH HIS TEAMMATES looking on, Derrick Beasley dives under the tag of the Missouri Western State College catcher. The Bearcats had a 22-18 record this season. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Front Row: Jeff Burke, Mat Vleisides, Chris Yust, Adam Bailey, Brian Formanek, Sean Smith, Rafael Pérez-Miro, Michael Kastle and Darcy Warawa. Row 2: Jeremy Underwood, Nate Tutt, Mike Sortino, Zachary Jury, Cameron King, Jon Davis, Doug Clark and Mark Walker. Row 3: Mitch Peterson, Troy Gerlach, Zack Barron, Eric Eilers, Jeff Gassen, Delton Kruk, Trevor Webster, Brian Day and Nick Soapes. Back Row: Rusty Lashley, Brent White, Kyle Janssen, Kevin Cullen, Dan Landon, Ben Heavilin, Todd Heins, Damon Owen and Matt Anderson.

Conference Games



WITH A LOOK of determination, Brian Formanek hurls the ball to his Missouri Western State College opponent. Washburn University Northwest lost 4-16 and won 3-2 in the second game. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Pittsburg State University 5-4, 6-1

St. Cloud State University 5-4, 6-1

Missouri Southern 9-11, 6-9

Missouri Western State College 4-16, 3-2

Washburn University 10-9, 6-7, 5-4

Washburn University Northwest 4-16, 3-2

Central Missouri State University 5-19, 1-5, 4-16

Washburn University Northwest 4-16, 3-2

Washburn University Northwest 5-10, 8-20

Washburn University Northwest 4-16, 3-2

A 19-inning thriller with rival Missouri Western State College captivated the season.

The Bearcats earned the victory, while taking the season series, 4-1. Head Coach Pam Knox said that victory was the season's highlight.

"It never seemed to end, and it was like a chess match," Knox said. "We probably had a bigger bench than they had, but later on during the game I had to make decisions whether to gamble or keep hanging with them. There came a point in the game, if I made any more (substitutions), then all of my starters would have been off the field for the rest of the game. We came through and held on. We were persistent, and we never gave up."

"OVERALL THE PITCHING WAS GOOD," HEAD COACH PAM KNOX SAID. "THE FRUSTRATING PART WAS WHEN OUR PITCHING WAS ON, WE WERE NOT SUPPORTING THEM WITH THE BATS. WE COULD NEVER QUITE PUT EVERYTHING TOGETHER."

Persistence helps women defeat rival team

BY COLIN McDONOUGH AND SARA RAMSEY

The Bearcats finished the season in sixth place in the MIAA conference and qualified for the postseason MIAA tournament.

Michele Ansley said the lack of offense was the most frustrating part of the season.

"We had two transfers and a few freshman," Ansley said. "We expected to do a lot more, but we never hit the top point we thought we would make it to. Most days we had good pitching but not the hitting to back it up. We were inconsistent."

Although the Bearcats finished above .500 in the win column, they had a disappointing year with batting.

"We would have liked to get the batting average up above .275," Knox said. "Toward the end it dipped a bit. We had the athletic capabilities and skills to break a game wide open, but sometimes we struggled to put that together. I think we pressed too much."

Ansley believed the team's greatest strength was their amount of support for each other.

"We never gave up," Ansley said. "Everyone believed in each other."





IN A DOUBLE-header against Missouri Western State College, Nicole Strawn hits the ball. Strawn ended the season with a .185 batting average. Photo by Amy Roh



Front Row: Sara Moss, Lindy Tomlinson, Karla Stoll, Shannon Brennan, Erica Pfeifer and Marcy Ruckman. Back Row: Mandy Urquhart, Andrea Kearns, Nichole Strawn, Carrie Ledesma, Michele Ansley, Melissa Angel and Kendra Smith.



Conference Games

Missouri Southern	0-4, 3-8.
Pittsburg State University	9-7, 15-5
University of Missouri-Rolla	9-1, 4-5
Central Missouri State University	3-10, 5-11
Washburn University	4-8, 2-6
Missouri Western State College	4-3, 3

Overall MIAA Conference Record 11-7

Overall Record 28-10

Truman State University 11-5

Central Missouri State University 11-1

OUTFIELDER KENDRA SMITH keeps her eyes on the ball as it leaves her bat during the game against Missouri Western State College. The final score was 9-7 Northwest. Photo by Sarah Phipps



POLE VAULTER T.J. Hennegin catapults himself over the bar for an eighth place finish at the Northwest Invitational. Hennegin also placed eighth in the conference championships at Truman State University a month later. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Men's Track Record
 Northwest Invitational
 Second place
 NIAC Invitational
 Fourth place



Front Row: coach B. Williams, coach V. Wootton and coach R. Alsup. Row 2: Graduate Assistant M. Dosland, D. Davies, T. Bates, B. Fields, J. Yoo, D. Ferree, C. Sutton and Graduate Assistant J. Smith. Row 3: B. Rankin, F. Taylor, R. Harton, M. Ostreko, J. Greer, D. Fields, J. Starnes and M. Fisher. Row 4: T. Leslie, M. Brownsberger, J. Heihn, R. Lane, D. Williams, J. Burton, C. Parks and B. Thornburg. Row 5: J. Langer, C. Cox, M. Johnson, D. Sempek, J. McMahon, J. Yurra, J. Kendrick, R. Best and E. Wentzel. Row 6: R. Schuett, B. Dunlap, J. Mantell, D. Harriman, M. Dannis, R. Wenz, K. Brandt and D. Alsup. Back Row: J. McAfee, M. Voge, J. Reichert, P. Cook, J. Glab, D. Hallock, T. Woolsey and M. Abele. *Photo courtesy of Chuck Holley*

AT THE NORTHWEST Invitational, Jason Greer almost clears the hurdle. Greer placed 11th in the 110 meter hurdles. *Photo by Amy Roh*

The men's outdoor track team came to the 1998 MIAA outdoor championships with hopes of equaling the second place finish of the cross country team in the fall.

Head coach Richard Alsup knew initial expectations could not always be fulfilled.

"We accomplished all we could accomplish with the people we had," Alsup said. "We started off a lot different with our expectations from the fall. We had six or seven people fall by the wayside because of a couple surgeries, injuries, a car wreck and some weird things that happened. You could not live life in a bubble and unfortunately things like that would happen."

With all that happened, the team mustered a fifth-place finish at 76 points behind fourth-place Emporia State University.

"At best, with the people we took to the championship, there was not a lot more we could do,"

Fate forces team to reevaluate goals

BY COLIN MCDONOUGH AND SARA RAMSEY

Alsup said. "We scored some points we did not expect, and we had a few we expected but did not get. That balanced out pretty well."

Despite its lack of success, the team did not lose its determination.

"Everyone came to practice and did what they had to do," Robby Lane said. "The team did well because we had no slackers."

There were several bright aspects to the season. One of them was freshman pole vaulter T.J. Hennegin. He made his mark in Alsup's book with a strong first year.

"He's going to be a really great one," Alsup said. "Vaulting was kind of mental, and he was not a head case. He did not do a lot of worrying about what his competitors were doing."

The team proved it could come together and be successful by finishing second at the Northwest Invitational.

"We had 19 teams, and we finished second behind Central Missouri," Alsup said. "The kids put it together as a team."

"ANYTIME YOU HAD INJURIES, IT WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT ON YOUR TEAM," ROBBY LANE SAID. "YOU LOST PEOPLE AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS."



A season of strength, determination and continuous effort led the women's outdoor track team's quest for a double-triple. The team achieved their goal of a double-triple by winning the conference title in cross country, outdoor track and indoor track for the second consecutive year.

A team weakness in the past had been a lack of unity among members. Lindsey Borgstadt said in 1998 they had finally resolved this weakness.

"We were our own big sorority," Borgstadt said. "Everyone cheered for each other. Everyone helped everyone else. It helped with the team concept."

The team fell behind early in the first day of competition, but took over the lead in the day's final event — the 10,000 meter run.

The Bearcats gained the lead, 77-70, over Pittsburg State University and led after the first day of the MIAA meet. However, the second day began with Pitt State gaining the lead right back.

"We fell behind by ten points with eight events remaining," Head Coach Bud Williams said. "But that was when we really came through and won going away."

The Bearcats dominated the action for the remainder of the meet and managed to outscore Pitt State, 84-29.

Williams said he was impressed with the

Team unity helps dominate conference

BY COLIN McDONOUGH AND SARA RAMSEY

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women's accomplishments, even though they had the pressure of trying to defend a conference title.

"They did an outstanding job," Williams said. "There was no question that it was much easier to get to the top than to stay on top. It was tough to maintain the intensity and desire, and it was easy to become complacent. But these girls proved they would do what it took year in and year out to get it done."





JACSHELE SASSER ATTEMPTS to clear the high jump bar. Sasser placed second in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet, 6.14 inches. Her jump earned her a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics National standard and a NCAA Division II provisional. *Photo by Amy Roh*



T Front Row: Shannon Torti, Amy Allen, Diane Jensen, Dana Jermain, Jennifer Miller and Misty Campbell. Row 2: Graduate Assistant Dan Dacies, Laurene Dorsey, Becca Glassel, Sarah Handrup, Megan Carlson, Lindsey Borgstadt, Carrie Sindelar, Jenny Griffin and coach Vicki Wooton. Row 3: trainer Jeff Smith, Jill Stanley, Keely Bamett, Jaime Riddle, Stacey Otte, Cori Worrall, Diana Hughes, Brandy Haan and Graduate Assistant Mitch Dosland. Back Row: coach Richard Alsup, Shawna Smith, Elisa Koch, Amber Martin, Julie Humphreys, Sarah Kriz, Leslie Dickherber and coach Bud Williams. *Photo courtesy of Chuck Holley*

Women's Track

Doane College Tiger Classic
Second Place

MIAA Outdoor Championships
First Place

AT THE NORTHWEST Invitational Jenn Griffin finishes a long jump attempt. Griffin finished third in the event with a jump of 17 feet, 7.42 inches. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*





Dissecting Education

In David Smith's Comparative Anatomy class, Jennifer Clark and Chad Kuehl dissect cats as part of their course requirement. The class was designed to compare anatomical evolution of vertebrates. *Photo by Amy Roh*

AT THE 25TH anniversary reception, Faculty Senate president Pat Lucido talks with Angel McAdams. The sign in the background displayed all 213 past and current members of Faculty Senate. *Photo by Amy Roh*



PAST FACULTY SENATE presidents Wayne Van Zommeran and Charles Hawkins visit while eating at the 25th anniversary reception. Van Zommeran served as Faculty Senate president for 10 years, which was the longest anyone served in that position. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Twenty-five years ago, Northwest's Faculty Council dissolved after formulating the constitution for Northwest's Faculty Senate. The new senate formally took the place of the council in 1974.

On Thursday, Feb. 25, there was a reception at the Alumni House to commemorate the silver anniversary of Northwest's Faculty Senate. Over the past 25 years, there had been 213 faculty members who dedicated their time to improving faculty relations with the administration. The celebration was held to honor and thank those who had stepped up as leaders and served the senate.

Pat Lucido was this year's Faculty Senate president. She organized the event in order to commemorate those who had contributed to making the senate a quality organization.

Roger Corley, who served eight years on Faculty Senate, stressed the commitment put into the senate by representatives and presidents. Recently the senate began to elect members by department, so all had an equal voice.

He found the experience valuable and effective.

"Once I got everything down and understood how it all worked, I would have ran for president again," Corley said.

The purpose of the Faculty Senate was to give faculty a voice in University decisions by working with the administration and the Board of Regents.

Corley said Faculty Senate gave faculty exclusive control over all curriculum; however, there were occasionally decisions made without the complete support of the body.

The reception was attended by administrators, students and past and present Faculty Senate members. The hard work and time the 213 faculty members served in the past 25 years were honored and appreciated.

by Michelle Krambeck

SENATE

Everyone who participated in Faculty Senate was supporting the academic goals of their department and the academic goals of the University, Pat Lucido, Faculty Senate president said.

FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT Pat Lucido talks with other senate members and Provost Tim Gilmour. Lucido organized the event to honor those who served on senate in the present and in the past. Photo by Amy Roh

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Banquet commemorates 25 years of Faculty Senate at Northwest

Policies and programs were continually made to keep Northwest running smoothly, and those had to be approved before changes could be made. The Northwest Board of Regents used its powers of approval to help Northwest maintain quality status as a university.

Serving as a governing body over the University, the Board of Regents made changes to

REGENTS

policies that University officials could not do alone. That power had limitations, however. Its actions were kept in check by the state of Missouri.

Susan Mattson, secretary to the Board of Regents, said the state of Missouri controlled the appointment of members to the board.

"The governor's office appointed potential members and then they had to be approved by the state Senate," Mattson said.

Along with the six regular members, a representative from the Northwest student body was also involved in the regular meetings of the Board of Regents. The student was chosen for a two-year term through an application process put together by Student Senate, and when the campus search was complete, the official nominee was sent to the governor for final approval.

As a result of her role as student representative to the Board of Regents, Barmann became involved with implementing and serving on the Strategic Planning Council and on Student Senate.

The Board of Regents met seven to eight times throughout the year. During those meetings, the board discussed issues dealing with the approval of general educational policies, financial policies, admission requirements, fees

and other such basic University policies. Periodically, the board approved and authorized degrees, established procedures for faculty appointment and reviewed their general purposes.

Without the Board of Regents, communication between Northwest and government officials would have been limited, and basic needs and traditions could not be adequately preserved.

by Laura Pearl

AFTER AN APPROVAL from the governor, Karen Barmann was chosen as the student representative on the Board of Regents. This led Barmann to become more involved on the Strategic Planning Council and Student Senate. *Portrait by Jason Hoke*

CHECKS & BALANCES

The state of Missouri and the governor keep watch over the Board of Regents



BOARD OF REGENTS

Front Row: Karen Barmann, Robert Stanton, Danny Marsh, Frank Strong Jr, Janet Marriott and James Gibson.



Along with the other changes to campus, new faculty and staff positions opened up. The Office of Public Relations hired Mercedes Johnson, a December 1997 Northwest graduate, to serve as a public relations assistant.

The new position coincided with the Kansas City Initiative, a program designed to increase the enrollment from the Kansas City, Mo., area.

NEW JOBS

Some students were not ready to declare a major or had an idea of what to major in but did not want to commit, Deb Collier, assistant director of advisement, said.

"I had nothing to do with recruiting," Johnson said. "My job was to increase Northwest in Kansas City through media."

Taking the position of public relations assistant was not a tough decision for Johnson, since her husband, Chris Johnson, was the men's assistant basketball coach. She also said graduating from Northwest made her job easier.

Deb Collier, who was formerly the coordinator of student orientation and transfer affairs, took the new position of assistant director of advisement.

Collier's duty was to provide resources for advisers who had questions about transfer credits or other things that might have come up when advising students. She also helped students with declaring or changing majors.

Collier, who graduated from Northwest, said she helped students who might have been scared of talking to their adviser about changing majors.

"I helped them with what to do to change or declare majors instead of them going to their advisers," Collier said.

Other new positions on campus included: David Oehler, assistant director of assessment information and analysis, Roger Von Holzen, director of the center for informational and technological education, Lonelle Rathje, assistant director of annual funds, Computer Specialist for CITE Doug Lanowski and Vocational Business Assistant Debbie Petry.

In cooperation with Northwest's dedication, those who worked in the new positions assisted in helping things run smoothly, while keeping an eye on quality and focusing on students.

by Amy Smith

**PUBLIC
RELATIONS
ASSISTANT**
Mercedes
Johnson works
to increase
enrollment at
Northwest. The
Kansas City
area was her
largest market.
*Photo by Amy
Roh*

HELP WANTED

New positions keep Northwest operating smoothly



President Dean Hubbard and cabinet members work hard and play hard

THE DEAN'S LIST



DEAN HUBBARD

THE AFTERNOON IS time University President Dean Hubbard sets aside for his grandson, Charlie Lowe. They enjoyed working on his train set, playing the trumpet and checkers. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

University President Dean Hubbard had trouble finding free time during the school year.

If he was not working in the office or keeping up with advancement of the University, he was busy on weekends attending football games, basketball games or other school functions.

"So, there were not very many weekends when school was going when I just had time off," Hubbard said. "I obviously had a little more time on the weekends than I would have had during a regular day, but I used this (time) to come into the office to catch up."

Hubbard also found time to spend with his grandson, Charlie Lowe.

"I had been teaching him to play the trumpet, so I spent a little extra time giving him trumpet lessons," Hubbard said.

Hubbard and his grandson had a ritual that went back to when Charlie came to Maryville with his mom at age 2. They made it a point to have breakfast between 7:30 and 8 a.m. on

Saturdays at Simmons Village.

"We even had our own little table over in the corner," Hubbard said. "It did not belong to us, but every one in there knew that was where we sort of sat. We had the same thing, french toast every week, and I spent an hour and a half or so with him. It gave him the chance to talk to me about whatever he wanted to talk about."

When Hubbard found time to get away from campus on the weekends, he and his wife Anita went to their vacation home on Table Rock Lake near Golden, Mo.

"We would go down there, and I had a wood-working shop which was a center of activity," Hubbard said. "I made laid products, and I tended towards smaller objects like pens or sometimes a plate, a bowl or goblet."

Sometimes, Hubbard made larger projects but usually tried to find something that could be completed in a three to four hour period. He did not want to leave something half done because it was no longer relaxing if he had to go back and finish it later.

Finding free time was difficult for the president, but when Hubbard found it he made sure he relaxed and had a good time.

by Nicole Fuller

TIM GILMOUR

As chief academic officer to the University, providing leadership was all in a day's work.

Provost Tim Gilmour said even though some people would have considered his job stressful, he enjoyed it.

"(There were) two factors (in stress)," Gilmour said. "One of them was the external kinds of pressures you had on you and how you responded to them. I thought, in part because of who I worked for, the president, it was not a terribly

successful job because we worked well together. I did not feel that I thought people would construe to be stress."

Gilmour admitted there were challenges to his position but did not find stress in them.

"We had lots of challenges, but I liked challenges," Gilmour said. "It was really a matter of we were all trying to work together, so I actually gained energy. The bottom line was, sure, we had lots of challenges, but I did not see them as being stress-inducing."

Since his two children were grown, he was able to unwind at home.

"I loved to read," Gilmour said. "I counted that as a hobby."

Gilmour said he found pleasure in refinishing old furniture, a hobby he ran into when he was getting out of graduate school.

"We realized we would have to furnish the place we were going to live at," Gilmour said. "It was inexpensive to get old furniture and refinish it. I thought it reflected back on my childhood, where I really liked working with wood. Eventually, I thought I would have liked to develop some cabinet-making skills. Right now, we had too much furniture."

Gilmour especially liked working with people and ideas in tandem.

"I just really got intense pleasure out of seeing people achieve things that they were proud of, and that we could all be proud of," Gilmour said. "If I really took that seriously, then I really liked to see people succeed."

Success was measured in many ways. Since Gilmour found joy in doing something he loved, he provided something students and faculty alike could look to for the definition of success.

by Kimberly Mansfield

Campus administrators took on many duties that were behind the scenes. While not often in the limelight, Dr. Annelle Weymuth's strong personality helped her achieve success as the executive assistant to the president.

Weymuth felt the most important aspect of her job was the coordination of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act on campus.

"Any complaints dealing with discrimination and sexual

harassment came to this office and came to me," Weymuth said.

Weymuth admitted that she wished she could spend more time with the students. However, since her husband, Dr. Richard Weymuth, directed the choirs, the couple often held functions at their home for those students. Weymuth was grateful for those connections.

The couple enjoyed other activities outside their home as well.

"My husband and I loved to walk, and we walked all over town," Weymuth said. "Probably our biggest joy was traveling."

Weymuth believed her travels made her more open to new experiences and ideas.

"The thing I enjoyed the most was experiencing the different cultures and the different cuisines when I traveled," Weymuth said. "When you traveled, it opened up your eyes, and you found people were very much the same."

Even though Weymuth was not able to work as closely with students as she would have liked, she managed to affect them through her duties as executive assistant to the president.

by Sara Ramsey



ANNELLE WEYMUTH
DR. ANNELLE WEYMUTH, executive assistant to the president, looks at some of the souvenirs she collected on a trip to Russia. Weymuth enjoyed traveling and collecting antiques, as well as walking. Portrait by Valerie Mossman

President Dean Hubbard and cabinet members work hard and play hard

THE DEAN'S LIST



AT THE BEARCAT football autograph session, Vice President of Finance Ray Courter gets Kyle Sharp's autograph. Courter had worked at Northwest since 1972. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

A graduate of Northwest, Ray Courter, vice president for finance and support services, found comfort in the fact that his college experiences helped him understand what it took to be an effective administrator.

"Having been a student, at another point in time with the University, I had a special feeling for the role that I played, and it was really important for me to see the University continue to progress and improve like it had the last 10 years," Courter said.

Courter had worked for Northwest since 1972. He said when members of faculty worked at the University for many years, work felt more like a family environment.

"A lot of the faculty had been here for a good number of years, and this was the place that became your second home," Courter said. "So it was kind of hard to differentiate between home and work."

Away from work, Courter combined two of his favorite pastimes—spending time with his sons and enjoying

outdoor and athletic activities. While raising his sons, he often coached and watched them participate in sports. Courter's sons were also in Boy Scouts of America.

"I kind of grew up with my kids again," Courter said. "I was never in Boy Scouts, but they were, so I got to be a Scout leader, as well as a watcher on Scout trips and all those activities — camp-outs, long hikes, all of that."

Although his sons were grown, Courter said spending time outdoors and getting exercise were often a part of his agenda. He said he liked golf, playing basketball, jogging and exercising at the fitness center.

Courter also enjoyed watching programming on the History Channel, the Discovery Channel and networks that showed older movies.

"I liked to sometimes just vegetate in front of the TV just to escape for a few hours," Courter said.

At work, Courter kept tabs on budgets, bills, payroll, insurances and other things but still made time to enjoy his favorite television programs and outdoor activities.

by Lisa Huse



Crowded into a corner room of Thompson-Ringold, Kent Porterfield, vice president of student affairs, fought to speak over the sounds of bulldoz-

KENT PORTERFIELD, VICE president of student affairs, looks over a magazine dedicated to the national championship with his daughter, Claire. Having a family often produced a challenge to balance family life and work. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

ers and semi-trucks. Even in January, all five windows were open and a fan running to cool the once-classroom now office where he aimed each day to help his Northwest family, the students.

Only a few blocks from campus in a beige, two-story house with green shutters, Porterfield was learning to manage a new family. On Labor Day, Porterfield and his wife, Nicole, were introduced to a world of new challenges and joys when they had their first child, Claire.

"The greatest thing was parenting," Porterfield said. "I could not imagine it any other way. I do not know what we did before her. The most basic things became a big event. She was the first and last thing we talked about each day."

The biggest challenge for Porterfield since the birth of his daughter was balancing time between work and family. Porterfield sometimes worked 65-70 hours a week and several of his weekends each month were booked with leadership conferences and retreats.

Even with a busy schedule, Porterfield found a way to combine work and family. In fact, Claire became a part of the Northwest family when she was only five days old by attending her first Bearcat football game. She went to every home game and playoff game of the season.

Raising Claire also helped Porterfield in his job. Parenting helped him to better understand another parent's fear of something happening to their child; it helped him to understand their situation.

"When their child was little, parents worried about the sniffly noses," Porterfield said. "As they got older, they worried about the life choices their child was making. Sometimes it helped just to say, 'I know, I'm a parent.'"

Intertwining parenting with his professional life proved Porterfield conquered the challenge of work and family. Both sides reaped the benefits of his new experiences with his daughter.

by Laura Prichard

Jon Rickman's days as vice president of information systems were filled with meetings, answering mail and updating the computing systems.

"It was difficult to keep up with technology and the users' demands," Rickman said.

To most, the ride home was boring. But, Rickman relished the drive. He found it easy to enjoy in one of his four Pontiac Fieros.

"The drive from work to home was perfect," Rickman said. "The

sharp corners tested the Fiero's handling."

Rickman bought his first Fiero in 1984, four years before Pontiac discontinued the model, making it a collector's item for car enthusiasts like Rickman.

In the summer of 1998, Rickman participated in an especially exciting activity made possible by The National Fiero Owners Club.

Rickman went with the club to Gateway International Raceway in St. Louis. The club rented the track for a day and raced in heats of 20. Rickman drove his '88 Fiero Formula. The track tested his driving, but Rickman said the mid-engine design made handling curves easier. Rickman had never driven on a racetrack before and said driving became extremely difficult at speeds nearing 100 mph.

Rickman's day at Gateway International Raceway was not a part of his usual routine, but Fieros fed Rickman's love of cars and provided an exhilarating end to his workday.

by Eric Davis



JON RICKMAN OPENS the passenger side of his Fiero after a day's work. Collecting and maintaining Fieros was one of Rickman's hobbies. Photo by Sarah Phipps

President Dean Hubbard and cabinet members work hard and play hard

THE DEAN'S LIST



CHUCK VEATCH

CHUCK VEATCH, VICE president of University advancement, speaks with President Hubbard during the Bearcat autograph session. Celebration weekend gave members of the president's cabinet a chance to congratulate the national champions. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Living in Maryville for nearly 30 years, Chuck Veatch, vice president of institutional advancement, joked with his wife, Pam, that they had a boring life.

"We had been married the entire time and had one child," Veatch said. "So, it had been fairly uncomplicated. We both worked at the same institutions from

the time we started, so we kind of joked about that."

Veatch graduated from Northwest in 1971 with his master's degree. During the processional of the graduation ceremony, fellow graduate Don Schnieder asked Veatch what he was planning to do with his life. Veatch said he was going to leave Maryville. Ironically, Veatch's plans changed when he got hired at the University.

"The fact is that I stayed for 30 years, and Don had seen the world," Veatch said. "I had been given a really great opportunity."

Veatch worked in the areas of housing, admissions and the president's office. He headed the University advancement programs specifically in the areas of alumni affairs, development and foundation.

When Veatch was not busy in the office working, he liked to spend time at home.

"Pam and I enjoyed just being at home and spending time together," Veatch said. "We did have a small group of close friends, and we enjoyed getting together with them on the weekends."

When Veatch and friends got together, which they did regularly, they would go to a movie, dinner and played cards.

Veatch said he was not really into sports.

"I was not out golfing or fishing," Veatch said. "We spent a lot of time together at home and with friends that we enjoyed being with about every weekend."

Even though Veatch worked long hours during the week, he still managed to find time on the weekends to spend with his wife and friends.

by Nicole Fuller



KEN WHITE

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC Relations Ken White relaxes on a Friday night with his three children and his wife. White was responsible for overseeing the publications offices. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Ken White, director of communications and marketing, spent his days overseeing all external and internal communications. To the average person, that meant he took care of the media relations.

He made sure he got University-related stories in the paper and on the internet as part of external communications. He got the word out to the

Northwest family and made sure people who worked at Northwest knew what was going on around the University

to meet the internal communication needs. The other portion of his title, marketing, meant he took care of all advertising for the University. He came up with advertising campaigns and got them to the right media and market to sell Northwest.

With a title change in 1998, White was given additional job responsibilities based around the community. He became a liaison between the community and Northwest.

While attending the University of Missouri-Columbia to get his doctorate, White was injured in the weight room. His injury caused temporary paralysis from his waist down.

"The outpour from people in Maryville when I was hurt was incredible, just incredible," White said.

After seeing so much community support during this time, he began acknowledging and empathizing with illnesses of others.

With three daughters under the age of 4, White's weekends were busy with his family.

"The weekend was even nuttier than the work week," White said.

White was married 10 years before he had children. He really did not believe he and his wife were going to be able to have children. Now they had three healthy girls, Casey, 4, Kelley, 2 and Kinzie, 5-months-old.

The fact that White had three girls was an oddity because they were the first girls born on his side of the family in almost 40 years.

"I never ever, ever dreamed I would have three girls," White said. "Casey was a boy's name; we did not even have a girl's name picked for her."

Though White's job was an important part of his life, his family always came first.

by Jammie Silvey

With the responsibility of running the athletic department at Northwest, health and physical education took on an added responsibility in the fall when Director of Athletics Jim Redd became a member of the president's cabinet.

"I was somewhat surprised, honored and humbled at the



CHILDREN TALK WITH Director of Athletics Jim Redd following the presentation of trophies during celebration weekend. Redd recently took on additional duties as a member of the president's cabinet. *Photo by Jason Meyers*

offer," Redd said. "It was quite an honor to be appointed to the cabinet."

Being on the cabinet gave Redd the opportunity to voice his opinions on

different issues on campus, including athletics, curriculum and financial matters.

As director of the athletics, health and physical education department, Redd was responsible for keeping track of the curriculum and overseeing the different athletic events at Northwest.

"We hosted nine football games this season," Redd said. "We did last minute preparations on Friday. We were back at 6 or 7 a.m. on Saturdays to get the final preparations done. That included things for the tailgate parties, checking on security and making sure the field was marked correctly."

Redd's dedication did not stop when a team was on the road. He attempted to make time to see all the different teams play away events.

When Redd did have some free time in his busy schedule, he liked to work on his personal health and fitness plan or read about history.

"There were a couple of things that I really liked to do," Redd said. "I liked to work out, and play racquetball and tennis. I also liked to read, I liked history. One of my majors in college was social studies, so I liked to read about historical things like Thomas Jefferson."

Being part of the president's cabinet gave Redd the chance to make his voice heard, and he became instrumental in getting improvements and changes made at Northwest.

by Jason Hoke

NORTHWEST HAS PREPARED many graduates for the business field. Finance major Derek Smashey hoped to use his college training to handle the investment firm he hoped to one day own. *Photo by Jammie Silvey*

AS AN ALUMNI, Rob Bolin attributes much of his successes to the education he received at Northwest. The knowledge he gained in the business department gave him the ability to operate his own auto parts store. *Portrait by Valerie Mossman*



ART DEPARTMENT


Front Row: Ryung Kal Ryoo, George Rose, Philip Laber and Paul Falcone. Back Row: Russel Schmaljohn, Kim Spradling and Craig Warner.



COMM. AND THEATRE ARTS

Front Row: Theo Ross, Bod Bohlkens, Dyann Varns, Joni Jackson and Kathie Leeper. Row 2: Charles Schultz, Dan DeMott, Larry Dobbins, Jay Rozema and Roy Leeper. Back Row: Jason Teven, Connie Honken, Lori Macias, Patrick Immel and Bill Cue.





Rewards of entrepreneurship draw students to success

FUTURE INVESTMENT

The Dream: To own a business
The Student: Derek Smashey, senior, finance major
The Alumnus: Rob Bolin, owner of Bolin Auto and Track Parts

At a time when large corporations dominated the business world, Bolin Auto and Truck Parts held its ground firmly in St. Joseph, Mo.

Rob Bolin was the store's owner and a graduate of Northwest. The store had been managed by three generations of his family since 1951. Bolin said there were many changes in the business since he graduated. However, one thing that stayed constant was the relationship he had with his customers.

"My customers were mostly farmers, truckers," Bolin said. "They were honest, hard-working people. They were just trying to make a living, and so was I."

At Northwest, he joined Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, and was involved in the student ambassadors program and the Homecoming committee. During his junior year, Bolin was the treasurer of the fraternity, a learning experience that proved valuable in his career.

Bolin believed it was essential for college graduates to have experience with computers and accounting, in addition to being involved in extracurricular activities.

After graduating with a degree in business management in 1983, Bolin returned to help his father run the store. Bolin enjoyed his job but found maintaining a private business demanding.

"I was my own boss, which was a great advantage," Bolin said. "But, every day was a new challenge. We were seeing a massive amount of competition."

Although he had not yet graduated, Derek Smashey, a senior finance major, hoped to follow in Bolin's footsteps by owning his own business. He planned to own an investment firm.

Smashey believed the ability to communicate, a strong work ethic and networking skills were crucial to success. Smashey's goals were to receive his master's degree and start planning for retirement early in life.

"It was always a goal of mine to be financially successful," Smashey said. "I was very goal-oriented. I felt that as long as I continued to improve on my communication skills, I would have had a successful career."

With a degree from Northwest, Smashey believed he would have the resources to thrive in his career field, something Bolin could attest to in consideration of his successful career.

by Eric Davis

A JOURNALISM MAJOR, Michelle Krambeck applies her writing abilities as a *Tower* staff reporter. Krambeck was also majoring in government and minoring in biology. *Portrait by Sarah Phipps*

AT THE DECEMBER graduation, Lisa Gruenloh informs graduates of the path she has chosen since graduating from Northwest. Gruenloh had a career that Michelle Krambeck could have chosen upon graduation. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Working with policies and bills is a desired career path

A PUBLIC SERVICE

The Dream: A career as a lobbyist

The Student:

Michelle Krambeck, a journalism and government double major

The Alumna: Lisa

Gruenloh, who worked for senator Jim Johnson

Since graduating from Northwest in 1992 with a double major in broadcasting and government, Lisa Gruenloh had many different jobs. After holding jobs that were not ideal for her, Gruenloh decided she wanted a change and began to look for different jobs.

"It was an election year when I was ready to move on," Gruenloh said. "So I was looking at different political campaigns that I could get on and get some experience in. I ended up working on Alan Wheat's senate campaign against John Ashcroft."

Since working for Senator Jim Johnson of South Dakota, Gruenloh thought she had found the perfect job.

"I was excited to work on (Capital Hill), and the work that I was doing was much like what I had been doing in my past several jobs," Gruenloh said. "Then I was walking to the elevator and noticed that the office next to us was John Glenn's office. It kind hit me where I was, and I realized that I was in a special place."

Gruenloh gave Northwest's first December graduation commencement address.

Michelle Krambeck, a double major in journalism and government with a minor in biology, was set to either work in journalism or government.

The experience of being Student Senate president gave Krambeck the opportunity to meet people that helped shape her future plans. She received an internship with the Missouri Department of Higher Education, working for Kalla Stoupe.

"I met Kalla Stoupe when I was Student Senate president, when Northwest won the quality award," Krambeck said. "I went to the celebration, and I was sitting by her, and we began to talk, and she said I should apply to be her intern. I wrote her speeches and things like that. I got to do all kinds of legislative stuff."

With the experience Krambeck received while working in Jefferson City, Mo., she thought she knew what she wanted to do with her life.

"I would have liked to have been a lobbyist," Krambeck said. "I wanted to lobby for child advocacy, welfare and Medicare, something like that. I would have loved to work for a senator and do research for bills that they did not know much about, or do research if they were going to write a bill."

With Gruenloh's career where she wanted it, and Krambeck's career on path, they both believed Northwest gave them a great start to their future.

by Jason Hoke

Different directions based on Northwest roots mean success in life

COMMON GROUND

Weldon Dowden,
1956 *Tower* yearbook



The Dream: A career as a financial analyst

The Student: Julia Bookless, junior, finance major

The Alumnus: Weldon Dowden, worldwide manager of corporate safety for Phillips 66

Weldon Dowden was born and raised in Maryville. When he graduated from high school, he had little interest in attending college.

Dowden enrolled in Northwest Missouri State Teachers College because it cost only \$50 per semester, and he made the basketball team. He admitted athletics, track in addition to basketball, kept him in school. However, before Dowden left in 1956, he had a chemistry degree with minors in math and general science and a bachelor's of science in secondary education.

Dowden took his wide variety of expertise and put it to use in Borger, Texas, working as a chemist for Phillips 66. After a few years he became a manager for the company.

Over the next 25 years, Dowden made stops in Beatrice, Neb., Houston and Chicago, managing plants, overseeing operations and working his way up the corporate ladder.

In 1984, Dowden made his final move to Bartlesville, Okla., to become the worldwide manager of corporate safety for Phillips 66. Although Dowden retired in 1992, he never forgot how Northwest and certain faculty members had helped him.

Dowden said he would always look back on his experiences at Northwest as the preparation that was necessary for life.

"I remembered standing on a platform in the middle of the North Seas, looking out over the water, wondering how a farm kid from Maryville ended up here," Dowden said. "Northwest definitely made the difference."

Forty-seven years after Dowden graduated, students like Julia Bookless still formed their futures by following their passions.

"I got into finance as a major because I loved numbers, and I always wanted to work as a financial analyst," Bookless said.

Bookless was a member of the wind symphony, the Bearcat Marching Band, Sigma Alpha Iota and was president of Financial Management Association.

"I felt Northwest gave me what it took to make it in the world," Bookless said. "This was definitely the place for me."

by Ted Place



Front Row: Dr. A. Schwab, Dr. V. Albertini, Dr. M. Jewett, Dr. C. Fuston, Dr. K. Rhodes, Dr. B. Richards, and S. Emerson. Row 2: Dr. G. Roper and Dr. B. Hansel. Row 3: Dr. B. Litte, Dr. W. Trowbridge, Dr. C. Fry, Dr. M. Hobbs, D. Sergel, E. Redding-Kaler and E. Winter. Back Row: Dr. J. Loomis, P. Jones, Dr. L. May, Dr. C. Goad, Dr. D. Slater and J. Hurst.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT



Front Row: Karen Hoskey, Diane Krueger and Peter Anderson. Row 2: Charles Dodds, Don Hagan, Marcus Gillespie, Joe Reese, Dwight Maxwell. Back Row: Ted Gouge, Gregory Haddock, Jeff Bradley and Richard Felton.

GEOGRAPHY-GEOLOGY



AS SHE SITS through a Financial Management Association meeting, Julia Bookless learns about the Edward Jones financial company. Bookless hoped to secure a position as a financial analyst. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*





Many options for career paths stem from the same major

PEOPLE VS. ANIMALS

The Dream: A career working with animals

The Student: Jeff O'Neal, sophomore, zoology major

The Alumna: Linda Borgedalem-Baer, co-owner of Abcomm Inc., a medical education company

Flexibility within majors gave students many career choices upon graduation.

Jeff O'Neal, who planned to graduate in 2001, and Linda Borgedalem-Baer, who graduated in 1983, were both zoology majors who took different paths from the same major.

O'Neal chose zoology as his major because of his love for animals.

"When I was growing up, I always liked science, and I loved working with animals,"

O'Neal said. "I figured that (zoology) was a major that I would be good in."

Borgedalem-Baer chose zoology for different reasons.

"I had always liked sciences, and I thought I was going to become a physician,"

Borgedalem-Baer said. "Pre-professional zoology was the highest science degree you could get."

Borgedalem-Baer was the co-owner of Abcomm Inc., a medical education company. The company coordinated educational programs for doctors, pharmacists and nurses to keep them current on new technologies and findings in the medical field.

Borgedalem-Baer said involvement in campus activities was instrumental. During her junior and senior years, she was the first female Student Senate president in Northwest's 76-year history. Borgedalem-Baer was the president of the Pre-Med club, a member of Cardinal Key and an ambassador.

O'Neal believed involvement would assist him in the future. He was a member of the chemistry club, which organized the Junior Science Olympiad, a day of science-related activities for high school students.

"It was fun helping (the students) because when I was in high school, I came up here and did the same thing," O'Neal said. "It was cool to be on the other end, asking them questions, trying to stump them."

O'Neal planned to work with animals, unlike Borgedalem-Baer, who worked with people.

"I would have rather worked with animals than worked with humans because animals were harder to understand," O'Neal said. "You could not have really just talked to them."

O'Neal was hoping to receive a seasonal zoo-keeping job during the summer. He worked on a llama farm in the past, where he dealt with the owner's llamas, cattle, horses and dogs.

Despite the differences between the two, O'Neal and Borgedalem-Baer proved to be very much the same. They both believed determination was the core of success.

by Sara Ramsey

IN HIS
VERTEBRATE
class, Jeff
O'Neal reviews
information with
his lab partner
just before Dr.
Kurt Haberyan
starts class. A
zoology major,
O'Neal hoped to
use his degree
to develop a
career working
with animals.
Photo by Amy
Roh

Internships provide extra security in law enforcement fields

THE EXPERIENCE

The Dream: A career as an FBI agent

The Student: Sean Humphrey, public administration major

The Alumnus: Don Schneider, secret service agent

When most people thought of a secret service agent they tended to think the individual graduated from college in the criminal justice area.

That was not true in all instances. Don Schneider's college experience first started in 1964, but then he enlisted in the Marine Corps. After returning from Vietnam, Schneider graduated in 1970 with a bachelor of art degree in economics; he then went to graduate school to receive his master's in business in 1971. Schneider then went into the secret service.

"We said that secret service was a very mission-orientated career," Schneider said. "Most interesting was the physical protection of the president and the president's immediate family."

Schneider now lived in St. Louis and was in charge of the St. Louis office for the U.S. Secret Service until he retired in January 1999. His last job before retiring was protecting Pope John Paul II during his visit to St. Louis.

Schneider's advice to students wanting to go into law enforcement was to start planning now.

"Find an internship at a law enforcement (agency) the summer of your junior year," Schneider said.

Taking that opportunity, Sean Humphrey, public administration major and criminal justice minor, planned on doing an internship through the government department in London.

"There was going to be a criminal justice class that compared and contrasted different criminal justice systems," Humphrey said. "Then I was going to have an internship with Scotland Yard or the London Manchester Police Department."

Humphrey's dream was to become an FBI agent.

"It still was law enforcement, but it was a chance to still go out, and there was a lot of moving involved," Humphrey said. "You got to see a lot of the country and got to deal with different people than you did when you were a police officer in a town."

From Schneider's experiences and the dream Humphrey desired, they both knew that by planning early, the result would have been rewarding.

by Nicole Fuller



Front Row: Micheal Steiner, Dr. Janice Falcone, Dr. Joel
 Kenam and Dr. Dick Field. Back Row: Tom Cameal, Tom
 Spencer, Dr. Rick Frucht and Dr. Jim Eiswert.

HIST./HUM./PHILOSOPHY



IN FRONT OF the Nodaway County Courthouse, Public Administration major Sean Humphrey stands. Humphrey hoped to begin his career in criminal justice by participating in an international exchange program.
Portrait by Jason Hoke



Filler classes determine successful future career for a student

TEACHING TO IMPACT

The Dream: To teach English
The Student: Angela Brown, graduate student, secondary education-English major
The Alumna: Vicki Baker, associate superintendent for education services for North Kansas City school district

In the spring semester of 1970, Vicki Baker was preparing to graduate from Northwest with a degree in chemistry. Since she only lacked a few credits to graduate, Baker was not considered a full-time student. That put her in a predicament. Baker, an involved member of Phi Mu fraternity, was faced with the prospect of not being eligible for membership in the group. To fill her schedule, she added education courses to her transcript.

"I thought they were blow-off classes," Baker said. "I went in for the wrong reason, but it was the right thing to do."

One of her professors, Dr. Homer LeMar, asked Baker why she was not interested in a career in education. Although she liked the classes, Baker was not interested in a career in that field.

"I said, 'Look at them. They made students pass so many artificial hurdles and taught them things that were not relevant to their lives,'" Baker said. "He responded, 'You just gave me the best reason you should be one.'"

After 29 years as a teacher, then a principal and finally the associate superintendent for the North Kansas City School District, it seemed Baker made the right decision.

Like Baker, Angela Brown did not originally intend to pursue a career in education. After receiving a degree in technical writing from Missouri Western State College, Brown worked for The St. Joseph Convention of Business Bureau in St. Joseph, Mo.

"I worked in the business world, but I did not feel like was I making a difference," Brown said. "Hopefully by teaching I would."

Brown planned on making an impact on her students by teaching English. She was determined to make her class fun, but educational.

Student teaching at St. Joseph Christian High School reaffirmed Brown's desire to work toward a teacher's certificate.

Although neither Baker nor Brown intended to enter the education field, and each did not make their decisions until late in their college careers, both found the field rewarding.

by Eric Davis



Vicki Baker,
1970 Tower yearbook



AFTER RECEIVING A degree in technical writing, Angela Brown discovered she had another calling. Brown attended Northwest to receive her master's degree in education.
Photo by Amy Roh



CURRICULUM
Front Row: Carolyn McCall, Jackie Loucks, Carol Tjeerdsma, Nancy Riley and Jill Monticue. Back Row: Jerry [unclear], Andrée Bayliss, Jean Bouas, Shirely Steffens, Betty [unclear], Pat Thompson and Margaret Drew.



H P E B D
Front Row: Jeff Ferguson, Gina Scott, Janet Reusser and Ann Brekke. Row 2: Jim Redd, Richard Alsup, Gary Collins and Sandi Mull. Back Row: Mel Tjeerdsma, Dave Cutton, Terry Robertson and Donna Lindenmeier.

Success is seen in the amount of work
dedicated early on in college

PARALLEL PATHS

**The Dream: A
career in
education**

**The Student:
Denise Herbers,
graduate student,
secondary
business
education**

**The Alumna: Gail
McKinzie,
Superintendent
of the Illinois
Indian Prairie
School District**

Dr. Gail McKinzie obtained her lengthy education in a timely manner by continuing upper-level education until she finished her Ph.D.

Following in similar path, Denise Herbers graduated with a secondary business education degree and was in pursuit of her master's.

McKinzie graduated from Northwest in 1960 as a secondary education major emphasising in English and French. She graduated with a master's in English. In 1976 she received her doctorate from Iowa State University .

Herbers desired to teach high school business and computer classes. Later she wanted to become a professor.

McKinzie was employed as superintendent of the Illinois Indian Prairie School District.

One of the most rewarding things McKinzie did as superintendent was to start an at risk program for students that were not succeeding in school.

Student teaching and professional studies classes had been an important aspect to preparing Herbers for what she expected to face after college.

Influences during McKinzie's career at Northwest were Dr. Virgil Albertini and Opal Eckert. Albertini, an English professor, made an impression because all of his classes were interesting. Eckert was a confidence builder for McKinzie.

"She was energetic but demanding," McKinzie said. "She always said there was nothing you could not do."

Since eighth grade, Herbers had been pushed to become a teacher. In eighth grade she was a teacher's aid for the computer courses, and she was convinced to consider teaching.

McKinzie advised students in education to student teach or volunteer in order to find out if education was right for them.

Not specializing too soon, was advice McKinzie gave to students in the education field.

"Your employability was greater with a broad background," McKinzie said.

Though McKinzie and Herbers may not have had the same aspirations, they both realized the importance of applying themselves early in their college careers.

by Jammie Silvey

Front Row: Frances Shipley. Row 2: Peggy Miller, Lila Herauf, Pat Gross, Teresa McKee and Diana Richardson. Back Row: Jenell Ciak, Duane Hazelton, Beth Goudge, Lauren Leach and Ann Rowlette.



Front Row: Becky Hendrx, Shelly Hiatt, Gini Huston, Mike Thomson, Carla Edwards and JK Brewers. Back Row: Douglas Dunham, Larry Riley, April Haberyan, Carol Claffin, Ken Hill, Mary Hutchinson and Roger Neustadter.



AS A GRADUATE student, Denise Herbers instructs a section of Using Computers at Northwest. Many other graduate students paid their way through graduate school as assistants to professors. Photo by Sarah Phipps





AS A BROADCAST major, Hilarie Jezik gets additional experience outside of the classroom. Jezik worked for "Bearcat Update." *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

Working in broadcasting does not always involve being an on-air personality.

BEHIND THE SCENES

The Dream: A career in broadcasting

The Student: Hilarie Jezik, senior, broadcasting major

The Alumnus: Jeff Hutcheon, General Sales Manager for Fox Sports Southwest

A degree in broadcasting at Northwest made people think of disk jockey or cameramen jobs. However, times changed, and two Northwest students changed the course of their major from the expected.

Hilarie Jezik decided early to do something related to broadcasting.

"I took a mass media class in high school," Jezik said. "We did a lot of commercials for TV and radio and that was when I knew what I wanted to do. But, I wanted to be behind, not in front of the camera. I wanted to be in the creative part."

Jezik got involved right away at Northwest, and that was part of what made the difference.

"My first week here I was working on a show," Jezik said. "That got me started learning equipment and getting involved. Soon I started getting positions to where I got keys to the building, and I could play whenever I wanted. I had a lot of chances to learn and get better."

While Jezik was pursuing the road of broadcasting, a Northwest alumni, who also received a degree in broadcasting, took another path in regard to his future.

Jeff Hutcheon, class of 1989, was down in Texas as the General Sales Manager for Fox Sports Southwest in Dallas. He oversaw all sales and advertising for the network from a five-state area. He also managed eight national sales offices in charge of \$30 million daily.

"I always wanted to be involved in sports," Hutcheon said. "Selling sports property made it work. People got emotionally involved in sports ... and we helped tie them together. Sports crossed racial and sexual boundaries across the region, and that was what we thrived on, made it work. And it was exciting for us to have provided a chance for corporate America to get involved."

Hutcheon had some advice for other mass communication department students.

"Get involved in as many different aspects as you could," Hutcheon said. "See all the different sides — sales, promotions, discover what your skills were. Also, get an internship. It was a great way to feel a company out and for them to feel you out and see what it was like on a daily basis."

One major, but students who took much different paths.

by Jason Tarwater

Interpersonal skills have big marketing value beyond Northwest's doors

PERSONAL TOUCH

The Dream: A career in finance

The Student:

Stefanie Meyer, senior, finance major

The Alumnus: John

Moore, supervisor, Federal Reserve Bank

Sometimes receiving an education went far beyond just what one learned in a classroom. Getting to the top did not always take an ivy league education.

The size of the Northwest campus allowed students to develop something that may have been more useful—interpersonal skills.

John Moore graduated from Northwest in 1978. He now supervised over 2,200 people at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Moore was a business and finance major and looked back on Northwest with fondness.

Moore worked alongside graduates from Yale, Princeton and Harvard and felt he gained something his coworkers did not from their larger, more prestigious institutions.

Moore was always involved on campus during his time at Northwest. His senior year, he served as Student Senate president. The skills and leadership roles he gained at Northwest gave him an advantage in a world where others had more sophisticated educations.

"I did not always use what I learned in my classes, but I always used people skills," Moore said.

The importance of developing those skills were not overlooked by finance and statistics major Stefanie Meyer. She took advantage of getting involved on campus.

Meyer was a Resident Assistant, a peer advisor, a member of Mortor Board, Financial Management Association, Delta Mu Delta, Aftermath, Kappa Psi, the Bearcat Marching Band, Student Senate and the National Residence Hall Honorary society. If leadership and people skills helped one advance in the world of banking, Meyer would have been well-prepared.

Moore continued to support the University long after he graduated. He understood the value of what Meyer experienced at Northwest.

"When you looked at the world of finance, you thought of numbers, deals and the bottom line," Moore said. "You must have learned about people and values as well. You could benefit just as much from that as from the discipline of finance."

If Moore was correct, Meyer would have had no trouble entering the world of finance with her Northwest experience.

by Michelle Krambeck



Front Row: Ben Collier, Mary Scott and John Baker. Back Row: Ed Browing, Patrick McLaughlin, Rahn Wood and Mark Jelavich.



Front Row: Geroge Gille, Johanne Farichild, Duane Jewell and Arley Larson. Back Row: Tom Zweifel, Gerald Brown, C.K. Allen, Dennis Padgitt, Alex Ching and Marvin Hoskey.



BEING INVOLVED IN campus is important to finance major Stefanie Meyer. Meyer was a Resident Assistant, a peer advisor and was a member of various organizations and honor societies. *Portrait by Amy Roh*





**BROADCASTER
ERIC TAYLOR**
works as a disc
jockey at the
campus radio
station, KDLX.
Taylor kept in
close contact
with alumnus
Mike Madrigal,
often asking him
for advice in the
field of radio.
*Portrait by Jason
Hoke*

Radio broadcasting holds past success as well as future

EXPERIENCE BENEFITS

The Dream: A career in radio broadcasting

The Student: Eric Taylor, senior, broadcasting major

The Alumnus: Mike Madrigal, Creative Services Director for the West Coast Region and KIIS-FM in Los Angeles

In a field where big company buy-outs continually narrowed job possibilities for young graduates, one Northwest alumnus found the key to more than just survival.

With skills he learned from hands-on college experience, Mike Madrigal had the nationally recognized status that gave broadcasting major Eric Taylor hope.

Madrigal was a 1991 graduate and Jacor Communications, Inc. Creative Services Director for the West Coast Region and KIIS-FM in Los Angeles. Achieving recognition was the kind of desire that became a dream come true as Madrigal tested and perfected his broadcasting skills through his Northwest experiences.

Madrigal said future broadcasters should do as much radio work as possible.

"All broadcasting majors should have spent at least three years devoted to KXCV or KDLX," Madrigal said. "Nothing could beat the experience of a real facility."

Taylor realized the importance of in-college radio experience, holding jobs at KDLX, KXCV and the television station KNWT-TV8. He knew internships would be a factor in his chances for future success.

Madrigal strongly supported internships as a means of gaining true-to-life work background.

"Getting an internship was the most crucial thing a student could do," Madrigal said. "I did my internship with KY-102 in Kansas City, and it really put things in perspective and encouraged me."

Madrigal went on to get his first job, mixing commercials as a creative director at "The Eagle" in Dallas.

When he captured his position at KIIS-FM, Madrigal felt a sense of accomplishment and awe, realizing the benefits of putting everything into doing something he loved.

"Sometimes I had to stop what I was doing at work and just look around, think where I really was and what I was truly doing," Madrigal said.

Taylor knew he needed to maintain connections with people in his field, in order to reach his dream.

"I kept in contact with Mike, and he was always ready to help me," Taylor said. "That really encouraged me and made me realize that sometimes it was more who people knew than what they did that gave them success."

Madrigal loved his job, which pushed him each step of the way. Taylor shared that love for broadcasting and hoped his work would materialize to give him the success Madrigal had already tasted.

by Laura Pearl

Journalism offers many career paths by improving writing abilities

SKILLS IN DEMAND

The Dream: A career as a sports information director for a college or university

The Student: Colin McDonough, senior, journalism major

The Alumna: Marli Murphy, senior copy writer for National Seminars Group and a weekly contributing columnist for the *Kansas City Star*

Writing skills had a significant draw to students. Some students chose to major in journalism because of their love of writing and some because they realized their writing skills needed improvement in order to serve them well in their future career.

Marli Murphy, a 1977 graduate, majored in English. She especially enjoyed her feature writing class and believed that writing was her strongest skill.

While at Northwest, Murphy worked on the *Northwest Missourian*, often writing the Stroller column, as well as being the editor for two semesters.

A string of jobs after graduation led to the career she now boasted as a senior copy writer for National Seminars Group, as well as a weekly contributing columnist for the *Kansas City Star*.

Working as a columnist was not something Murphy originally planned.

"I started out in news," Murphy said. "Later, I was asked to do lifestyles — the column started as an accident."

Murphy said she really enjoyed the career path she wound up in and would have chosen the same path if she had it to do over.

Colin McDonough was a journalism major. While he had some interest in writing, he took on journalism with an ulterior motive; he wanted to improve his writing skills.

While he had worked on the *Northwest Missourian* and *Tower Yearbook*, he loved sports.

"I wanted to be a sports information director at a college or university," McDonough said.

The writing skills would serve him well in his chosen path. However, he also said he gained people skills and communications skills. He was able to network within the University.

Murphy had advice for journalism students that all Northwest students could take to heart.

"Do not ever feel that your skills and knowledge were in any way inferior because you went to a small university," Murphy said. "The skills you learned in the journalism department at Northwest would be with you for life. Bigger schools offered less opportunity for experience."

by Kimberly Mansfield





AS A JOURNALISM student, Colin McDonough has the chance to participate in a number of practicums. These practicums included working for the *Tower* yearbook, *The Northwest Missourian* or *Heartland View* magazine. Portrait by Amy Roh



Front Row: Dr. John Jasinski, Tom Wolfe, Jody Strauch, Laura Widmer and Matt Rouch. Back Row: Willie Adams, Ken Wilkie, Matt Bosisio, Fred Lamer, Marla McCrary and Dr. Joe Blaney.



Front Row: Ann Clark, Dr. Gerald Kramer, Cindy Kenkel, Dr. Jim Walker and Dr. Edwin Ballantyne. Back Row: Russ Northup, Dr. Sharon Browning, Frank Markham, Dr. Thomas Billesbach and Don Nothstine.



ON THE SET of "The Roommate Game," Director for the week Rich Pereksta checks the position of the studio lights. Pereksta came to Northwest because of the hands-on experiences it offered to broadcasting students. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Northwest offers students what few other schools could—experience.

TRAINING

The Dream: A career in post-production and editing film

The Student: Rich Pereksta, senior, broadcasting major

The Alumnus: Steve Savard, a CBS broadcaster

The value of hands-on experience was priceless for a broadcasting major.

One of Northwest's greatest assets was the ability for freshmen to work with equipment.

Steve Savard, a CBS sports broadcaster from St. Louis, stressed the significance and importance of hands-on experience. Savard, a 1986 graduate, spent his career at Northwest as a journalism major, focusing on sports writing as sports editor of the *Northwest Missourian*.

Although Savard was unsure where he would end up, his speech instructor, Fred Lamer, had a suspicion. Following a speech by Savard, Lamer pulled him aside and asked if he had an interest in broadcasting. Lamer convinced him to take the introductory courses, but Savard remained uninterested.

"Lamer proved to be prophetic," Savard said. "I ended up in front of a camera, and I loved what I did."

Savard's advice to all broadcasting majors was to take advantage of the resources Northwest had.

"Get as much hands-on experience as you could," Savard said. "In front of the camera, operating the camera, editing and writing for broadcasting."

Senior broadcasting major Rich Pereksta had done just that. He chose Northwest over larger schools because of the opportunities for freshmen to start off behind the camera.

Pereksta began working with a camera before coming to Maryville. As a freshmen at Northwest, he continued to do the same, this time with friends interested in the same field with similar goals.

That experience paid off for Pereksta. Following graduation, he planned to start film school in Orlando, Fla. Pereksta was interested in working behind the camera and with post-production and editing. He would have liked to one day work with movies.

Pereksta knew what Savard meant when he said to look for hands-on experience. That experience gave Pereksta the same quality education it had given Savard.

by Michelle Krambeck

Overseas experiences desired to build a varied resume

A POSITIVE CHANGE

The Dream: A career in politics

The Student:

Jarrold James, junior, political science major

The Alumna:

Jenifer Harr, graduate student at University of Cambridge

With some of the same goals while attending Northwest, Jenifer Harr and Jarrold James both thought of studying overseas and implementing public policy after college.

After graduating in 1996, Harr applied for the British Marshal Scholarship, which was a two-year scholarship that funded studies overseas. Receiving the scholarship gave Harr the chance to pursue her master's and Ph.D. Studying overseas was not something Harr had considered, but, with help from the scholarship, she took advantage of it.

When Harr was done with her Ph.D. studies, she wanted to work in public policy and help people with disabilities.

"I was interested in public policy, whether that would be at the elementary level or higher education," Harr said. "I wanted to bring a positive change to wherever I was."

Not able to study overseas for the first part of his college career, James also thought about going abroad. But being on the Northwest football team stopped him from doing that.

"I would have liked to have studied abroad, but it was one of those things where football had kind of got in the way," James said.

James thought experiences from the football field gave him good skills to build upon.

"It took up a lot of time, especially during the season, it helped you get into a structure," James said. "Being on the team and working with a group of guys could not have hurt at all. Just working with so many guys, from different areas, different backgrounds and being with them every day, trying to come to a common goal, that was something you would have found in a lot of business and politics."

Another goal James had was to work on his master's, but was focused on getting out of Northwest and into a job in politics.

"I would have liked to get a master's," James said. "I saw myself going back and getting more education. I wanted to try to work in the government for a senator at the state or national level or a lobbying group."

Two different people, both hoping to make a positive impact on the public, were headed in the right direction, with their Northwest experiences there to guide them.

by Jason Hoke

AS A CRIMINAL justice major, Jarrold James plans to study abroad and work on his master's degree. He hoped to secure a job in politics. Photo by Amy Roh



A new technology gained popularity in the classrooms of Northwest in the fall. Many professors began the school year by familiarizing themselves with PowerPoint, a computer program that helped develop multimedia presentations with text, graphics and animation.

Some professors, including Dr. Douglas Dunham, began using it in the summer.

"At first I was against PowerPoint, but now I think it is great," Dunham said.

Dunham tried it with some of his students during summer sessions and asked them which they liked best between the program outline notes. The majority of the students thought PowerPoint was better.

Dunham enjoyed using PowerPoint because the program made it easy to highlight main topics, update, rearrange notes and was more visually appealing than a teacher writing on the board.

"A great part about it was that the notes given in class were the same notes as online, so if they missed class, which they should not, they knew exactly what we went over in class," Dunham said.

Several of Danielle Saunders, had several professors that used the program and she was pleased with the results.

"I had been in a few classes where the professor used PowerPoint, and I had to say that it was definitely better than notes on the board," Saunders said. "It not only kept the professor focused, but it helped establish an outline."

PowerPoint did not keep Professor Tom Spencer from using the boards in the classroom. He did not want students to automatically depend on it.

"PowerPoint made it easier to use maps, saved students from bad art work, and the outlines were the same as online notes," Spencer said.

For both students and teachers at Northwest, PowerPoint seemed to be the wave of the future in classroom technology.

by Emily Vaughn

**INTRODUCTION TO
STRUCTURED
Programming,** taught by
Instructor Gary Ury, uses
PowerPoint during a
lecture. PowerPoint
became a more preferred
way of teaching because
it allowed instructors to
give more information to
students. *Photo by Jason
Myers*

POWERPOINT

The only thing I
did not like was
that students
had a tendency
to pay more
attention to
their notes,
rather than
what I was
saying,
Assistant
Professor Joe
Blaney said.

ADVANCED TEACHING

Computer program lets teachers present
clearer, more interactive notes



Example- sums integers until user enters 0

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int sum = 0;
out << "Enter a number: ";
do >> n;
while (n != 0)
{
    sum = sum + n;
    out << "Enter a number: ";
    do >> n;
}
out << endl << "The sum is " << sum << endl;
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// printing read
// test for sentinel

// input next value

With the addition of a new major and two new minors, Northwest students were given the opportunity to place their focus on new areas of study.

After the careful assessment and discussion of an advisory committee from the region and the

media industry, the Mass Communication and Marketing/Management departments teamed up in the creation of an advertising major, which awaited approval by the Coordinating Board of Higher Education.

Ben Spiking did not realize the advertising major was available until he had already chosen journalism as his field of study. After hearing about the major, he decided to give it a try.

"I thought this major was a pretty clever idea," Spiking said. "I thought it would give me a chance to be creative."

The Mass Communication Department also added a multimedia minor to its fields of study which required four courses from the mass communication area and four from the field of computer science.

This gave them adequate backgrounds for a variety of job opportunities in the multimedia field, including software development, corporate web page development and many others.

The addition of an international studies/political science minor continued to diversify the curriculum. Political Science Chair Richard Fulton helped to formulate this minor and then served as its adviser.

"I thought that interest in this new minor would help to encourage the people in the area to increase their international knowledge and skills," Fulton said, having perceived that the middle region of the United States tended to focus on government rather than history.

The addition of the new major and minors opened entirely new fields of study for students, making the university a more diverse environment of studies.

by Laura Pearl

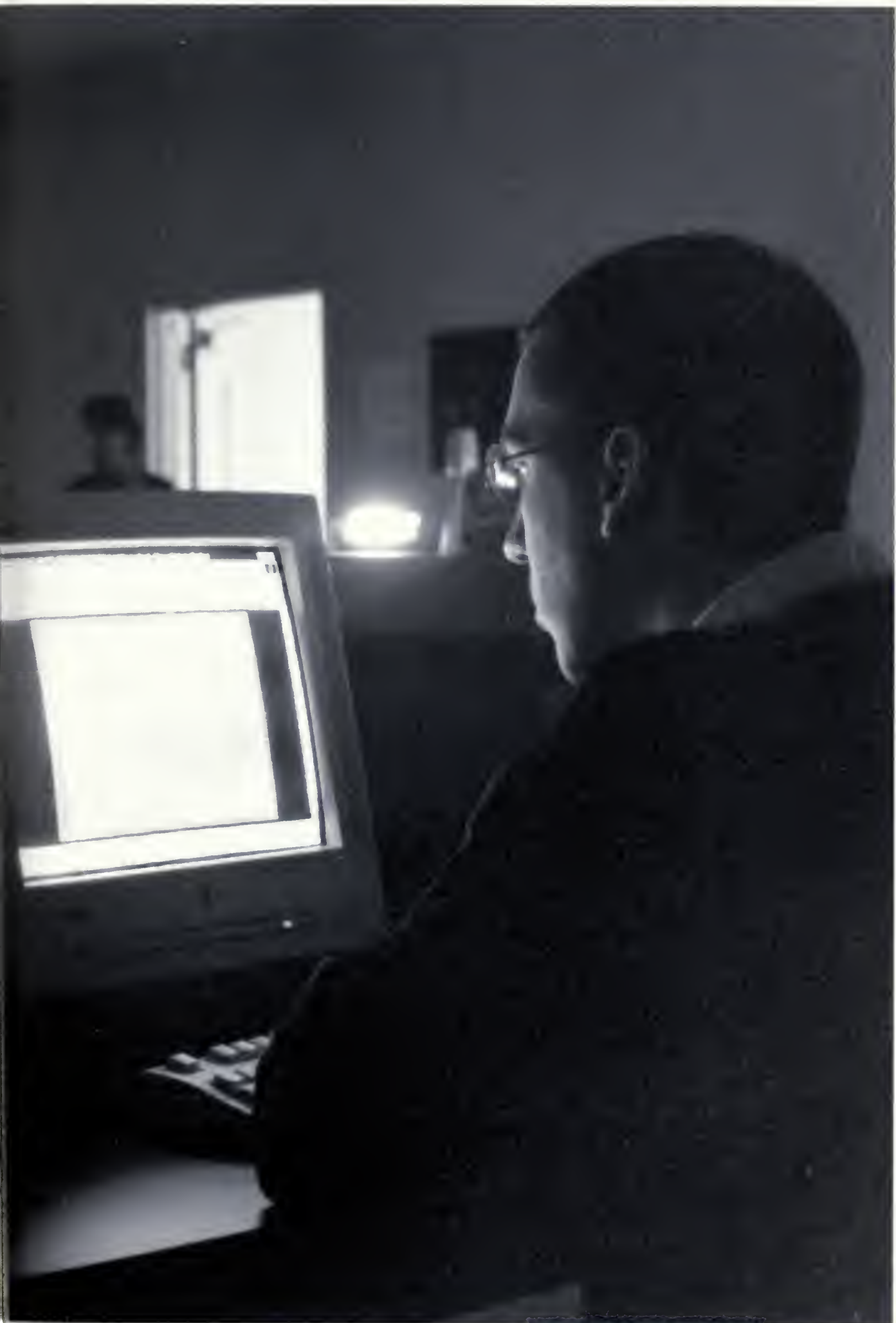
IN VISUAL BASIC, Jeremy Walker follows along with Carol Spradling's lecture on his monitor. Visual Basic required students to spend time on projects outside of classtime.
Photo by Amy Roh

PROGRAMS

For quite a few years we had wanted to expand our advertising offerings. We were elated when the proposed major was passed by the University, Assistant Professor Laura Widmer said.

DOUBLE TEAM

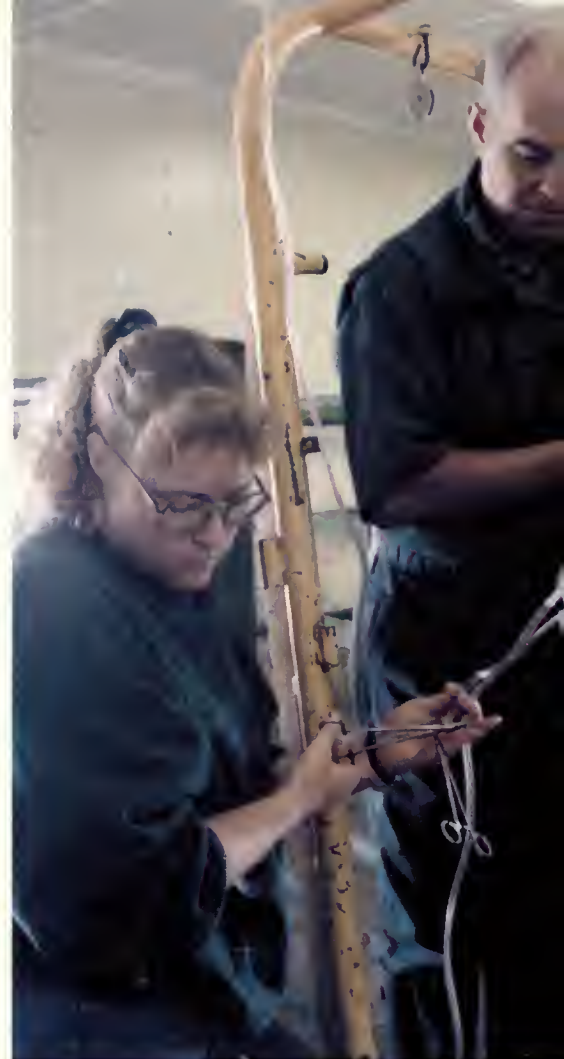
Academic programs merge to create new majors and minors



AT THE GROUNDBREAKING for the new Biomass Processing Center, Jason Helton, Bert Bock, Russ Lindenlaub and Bob Bush dig in. The new processing center created pellets used to heat the University. *Photo by Amy Roh*

TO CONTROL POPULATION, Dennis Padgitt and Tammy Naylor flush embryos from a Holstein cow. Breeding times were controlled to insure healthier calves and to accurately predict the time of a calf's birth. *Photo by Amy Roh.*

AT MILKING TIME, Ray Ashbaugh prepares to place the milker on a cow's udder. The farm had 45 cows that were milked twice a day, and the milk was then sold to Roberts Dairy of Omaha, Neb. *Photo by Amy Roh*



he Agriculture Department at Northwest proved its desire for innovation that benefited both the farmer and the consumer.

The use of artificial insemination on livestock and an energy-saving process being developed for the pelletization and reuse of animal waste on the University Farm were two of the greatest strides the department had taken toward agricultural efficiency.

The benefits of artificial insemination, according to Josh Wall, were numerous. Perhaps the greatest attribute of the system was that breeding times could be more controlled. Therefore, the calf had a greater chance for success.

Professor of Agriculture Dennis Padgitt, who was also involved in the project, explained that the main focus of this technique was in the raising of dairy cattle. When a Holstein cow was artificially inseminated, advanced equipment, such as ultrasound, were used to see if the cow was pregnant.

Another new idea was in the form of pellets — hog pellets. Waste from livestock was taken from the University Farm, and the liquid was separated from the solid. The liquid was treated in a lagoon, while the solid waste was mixed with vegetative agents such as switch grass, corn stalks, or sawdust.

The use of this technique had one major benefit. The solid mixture of animal waste and plant remains were burned for energy, just as paper pellets and wood chips had been.

"Pig manure had received the majority of research efforts, but any livestock waste could have been used," Duane Jewell said.

The Agriculture Department's future plans included continuing to experiment in the fields of reusing animal waste and in artificial insemination. By applying new techniques and proceeding with advanced research in the field, the department hoped to make farming in Northwest Missouri a more advanced science than ever before.

by Matthew Pearl

Within 20 days, we could know whether or not the cow was going to have a calf. Within 60 days, we could determine the sex, Professor of Agriculture Dennis Padgitt said.

AFTER MILKING THE cows at the University Farm, Ray Ashbaugh takes the milk to a one-month-old calf. There were 11 calves on the farm that Ashbaugh and others cared for. Photo by Amy Roh

UPPER EFFICIENCY

Advances in technology give University Farm the upper hand

or some students, classes were different from what they were used to. The classroom atmosphere changed dramatically when the teacher appeared on a television screen, rather than at the front of the classroom.

In distance learning classes, students in more than one school participated in classes together

EDUCATION

These programs were not cheap, but it was an alternative to regular learning, Frank Veeman, Executive Director of Northwest Education Consortium, said.

by watching each other on television monitors. With new technology available to the professor, they were able to show videos, computer programs, transparencies or even a picture in a book to all the students, in all of the classrooms simultaneously.

Northwest began a program that offered distance learning classes in 1996 in conjunction with North Central Missouri College in Trenton. After the initial classes with Trenton, other schools joined the connection of schools to enable students to receive a better education. These schools made up the Northwest Missouri Educational Consortium.

One of the benefits to distance learning was that smaller schools benefited more because there were more classes offered.

For many students, the only way they could get the class they needed was to take it through the distance learning program.

"Introduction to Literature (as a modular learning class) was the only literature class that fit into my schedule," Ryan Whiting said.

Another program began offering classes online when Northwest joined forces with the Colorado Electronic Community College. This allowed CECC students to complete a business degree from Northwest online. Northwest also looked into joining Metropolitan Community Colleges in Kansas City, Mo., to offer online courses to their students.

Closing the door to the past, Northwest took steps to the future by adding technologically advanced classes to increase Northwest's opportunities for education.

by Emily Vaughn

NEW APPROACH

Advances in technology and new partnerships allow educational growth



**IN THE
CENTER** for
Informational
and
Technological
Education office
at the B.D.
Owens Library,
Laurel Bloom
works on the set
up of the
modular learning
program.
Modular learning
would allow
students to learn
interactively on
the Internet.
*Photo by Amy
Roh*

The bold, bright colors of yellow and red waved briskly in the hot summer breeze at Arrowhead Stadium. In the midst of many tents sporting the Kansas City Chiefs' colors, a lone tent looked out of place as it proudly wore the colors of green and white.

The Northwest Alumni team was preparing for 1998's first alumni event, a tailgate party and

ALUMNI

Social activities like these, were great ways to get the alumni connected back to us at Northwest. We worked hard to let each alumni know what progress was being made at their alma mater, Alumni Director Mike Johnson said.

game at Arrowhead Stadium. Northwest graduates from the 1960s through 1998 assembled under the tent.

Linda Moon, class of 1980, was one of 175 alumni signed up to attend the tailgate party and had a special reason to be there. It was her 40th birthday.

"I thought it would be a good opportunity for my husband and children to meet alumni in Kansas City and to reunite with old acquaintances," Moon said.

This game allowed alumni to support recent alumnus Jesse Haynes. Haynes was scheduled to play in that night's preseason game.

"With the early anticipation of Jesse Haynes' success, it made this event even more appropriate," Alumni Director Mike Johnson said.

Football became the focus of more alumni events as Project Big Screen was announced to many excited alumni. Big Screen set up 10 locations all over the United States for alumni to watch a Bearcat football game via satellite.

Activities such as the these and homecoming events were just some of the plans the Alumni Foundation held to keep in touch with former students. A business card exchange program, which helped alumni give connections in the job market, and Career Networking, for internship opportunities, were some of the programs that had been started.

The Alumni Foundation strove to be an active organization that gave many opportunities for alumni to reach out to each other and enjoy themselves while doing so.

by Jackie Tegen

THE JUMBOTRON
AT Arrowhead Stadium displays visiting groups including the Northwest Alumni, at the Aug. 20 preseason game. It was an alumni tradition to attend a Kansas City Chiefs preseason game each year. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

TIME TO REUNITE

Alumni kick off the year with tailgate party at Kansas City Chiefs game



K.C. WOLF AND Bobby Bearcat pose for pictures with Dr. Dean Hubbard's grandson, Charlie, during the tailgate party. Former Bearcat Stepper Maggie O'Reily also made appearances at the party. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

NORTHWEST ALUMNI JOIN the tradition of the tailgate parties at Arrowhead. The activities of the event included a barbecue and prize giveaways. *Photo by Matt McBee*



In college campuses, money was always a big factor. Every year schools raised their tuition cost, yet each year that did not seem to be enough.

At the start of the 1997-98 school year at Northwest, the budget was set at about \$45 million.

At the end of the 1998 fiscal year, the balance was about \$867,000 under budget.

BALANCED BUDGET

We started looking at our budgets a year ahead of when the new year started, so this last July and August we were looking ahead to the next year's (budget), Ray Courter, vice president for finance and support services, said.

The Office of Finance and Support Services kept an eye on what the budget would look like in five years by using graphs, charts and spreadsheets.

Planning ahead included evaluating individual department budgets. The History, Humanities and Philosophy department was about \$900 under the set operating budget of about \$10,000, the department's chair Thomas Carneal said.

"We were able to keep under the budget due to a lot of close and hard work," Carneal said. "To keep under budget I made sure that all of the faculty kept their expenses to a minimum. We also got away from making too many copies, which was a big factor in cost."

Last year, the Communications and Theatre Arts department was under budget, except for money that was set aside for the forensics team. It was over budget due to the cost of sending students to national competitions, which was unexpected at the start of the year.

"Each year we started with a fixed budget, which included the necessities, and the cost for things we knew about ahead of time," Dr. Theo Ross, communication and theatre arts department chair, said. "Then, we went from there."

Every year, the department chairs tried to control their department's budget. With advanced and careful planning, departments at Northwest worked hard to keep their budgets in line.

by Emily Vaughn

PRESIDENT DEAN Hubbard and Provost Tim Gilmore play with a fictitious chess set with icons representing the different departments at Northwest. Each department was responsible for keeping the money allocated to them under control. *Photo Illustration by Sarah Phipps*

BALANCED BUDGET

With a chairman's watchful eye and planning, spending is controlled

University Budget 1997-1998 \$5,587,449.00

College of Arts and Sciences



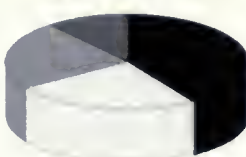
Total \$2,202,514.00

College of Professional and Applied Studies



Total \$1,192,998.00

College of Education and Human Services





Total \$2,191,937.00

Infographic by Kaori Nagai, Kim Parrish & Sarah McFarland





WORKING ON THE Alpha Simga Alpha and Tau Kappa Epsilon float, Jill Johnson pumps on Walkout day. Parade spectators did not always see the background — the long hours and hard work students put into produce the floats — when they saw the end result. *Photo by Jason Myers*



With more than 6,000 people on campus, we had to examine the background to discover what types of people made the **UNIVERSITY** thrive.

We each had different stories to tell from our experiences, and we had different outlooks on life and the world because of them. We knew people like Tevor Ballard who left the metropolitan area he was used to in Kansas City, Mo., to study here in a more rural environment, and we had friends like Andrea Burner, who planned for her July wedding while finishing her academic requirements in order to graduate in May.

More stories were found when we looked at 24 hours in the life of Campus Safety, the Alumni House and students. Each had a different perspective about what happened at Northwest on an average day.

While we watched to see who would win the home run race between St. Louis Cardinal Mark McGwire and Chicago Cub Sammy Sosa, one of our local heroes from the sport, former Kansas City Royal Dan Quisenberry, died of a brain tumor.

We did not ignore the national issues, and we did not forget the past, either. We were surrounded with myths and traditions. We

avoided stepping on the Bell Tower seal because

of an urban legend, questioned the validity of

ghosts in residence halls, and we attended

classes in buildings full of historical stories.

National issues and **TRADITIONS** on

campus made us realize there was more in the

background for us to think about. Elements of


the background were harder to find and harder to understand,

but were the most important because they made up the heart of

the campus.



BACKGROUND



The Legacy Continues...

Silent Remembrance

Members of Sigma Sigma Sigma and other concerned individuals participate in the annual Speak Out for Stephanie Walk, which takes a stand against violent and sexual crimes. Groups such as the Tri Sigmas each brought their own perspectives of the issue to the S.O.S. Walk. *Photo by Jason Myers*



**OFFICER JOE GAA**

speaks on the phone with a Franken Hall resident who is reporting three unwanted guests in her room. The men entered the room while the resident was in the room, but left without incident. The suspects were later notified to not make contact with the resident again. *Photo by Amy Roh*

**ON THURSDAY NIGHT**

at 11:15 Officer Joe Gaa issues a warning for a driver that ran a stop sign on University Drive. Gaa pulled over another vehicle five minutes later for running the same stop sign. *Photo by Amy Roh*

**AFTER A DRIVER**

is pulled over behind Garrett-Strong for making an illegal turn, Officer Travis Hennegin searches the back seat for alcohol. Meanwhile, the driver and his three passengers were questioned by other officers. *Photo by Amy Roh*





AT 1:20 ON Friday morning, a sobriety test is given on University Drive.

The driver had not been drinking but was driving with an expired license. *Photo by Amy Roh*



24 hours Campus Safety

A lot could happen in 24 hours. While students went about their everyday business, Campus Safety was on duty around the clock to protect, reprimand and patrol. A busy time for them was Homecoming weekend. With classes not in session on Friday and students working on Homecoming activities, Campus Safety had to stay on their toes.

Campus Safety worked with the students to solve their problems, and they also worked with Maryville Public Safety by sharing information for investigations and helping out in town with law enforcement.



MAKING THE ROUNDS, ticket writer Rick Allen tickets cars for violations. Campus Safety generally gave out about 80 tickets a day. *Photo by Rhonda Rushton*



AS PART OF their daily routine, Officer Amy Watson and Donovan Spears look over the traffic ticket report. This report was used to total how many tickets were issued to each student. If a student received over five tickets a semester their name was turned over to President Dean Hubbard. *Photo by Mike Ransdell*



24 hours Campus Safety

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green influenced improvement and organization within the department.

"In the past we were not allowed to do much, but with Clarence, we could do more," Campus Safety Officer Scott Chubick said.

Last spring, focus groups were conducted to receive student's views on how the department could continue to improve and keep Northwest a safe campus.





CAMPUS SAFETY DIRECTOR

Clarence Green goes over the reports of the tickets that have been given recently. Tickets were given out for violations such as not having the correct permits or parking in the wrong lot. *Photo by Mike Ransdell*



CAMPUS SAFETY OFFICER

Amy Watson fuels up the new Jeep. Campus Safety purchased the Jeep to make it easier to identify safety officers patrolling campus. *Photo by Mike Ransdell*



CAMPUS SAFETY

OFFICER Sergeant Scott Chubick questions witness

Becky Miller about events that happened earlier that week. Campus Safety officers patrolled, gave tickets and served as Maryville Public Safety back up. *Photo by Jason Myers*



CAMPUS SAFETY

OFFICER Sergeant Scott Chubick discusses an abandoned car with

Maryville Public Safety Officer Jeff VonBehren. Chubick found blood and hair on the cracked windshield of the car. *Photo by Jason Myers*





24 hours Campus Safety

Although the first thought that came to most students' minds when they thought of Campus Safety was parking tickets, there was much more to this department than the students knew about. Behind the scenes, the department began making a move to change their image in the eyes of students by purchasing a new Jeep with markings and outer sirens.

"We were starting a whole new image," Campus Safety Officer Joe Gaa said. "We were not a bunch of jokers or wannabes. We were cops."

By becoming involved in the community, Campus Safety furthered their image both on and off campus.



IN ORDER TO keep it safe, ticket writer, Rick Allen patrols the area near the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza. Patrolling the plaza walk was one of the many jobs campus safety performed. *Photo by Jason Myers*

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Accounting Society

- Sponsored speakers
- Visited accounting firms

Front Row: Allison Happle, Ashley Wilson, Angela Wonderly, Julie Kennedy, Jennifer Hoffman, Teri Buhman and Kittie Gazaway. Row 2: Lori Snodgrass, Tonya Coffelt, Amy Donald, Sarah Stephens, Jennifer Hardison, Jenny Backman, Nicole Miller, Jodi Winther and Monica Harper. Back Row: Nicole Strong, Jennifer Halverson, Kenny Miller, Derrick Griffin, Nathan Hansen, Todd Kenney, Veronica Jensen, Amy Abplanalp and Eva Hart.



Aftermath

- Helped with Math Olympiad
- Participated in math contests

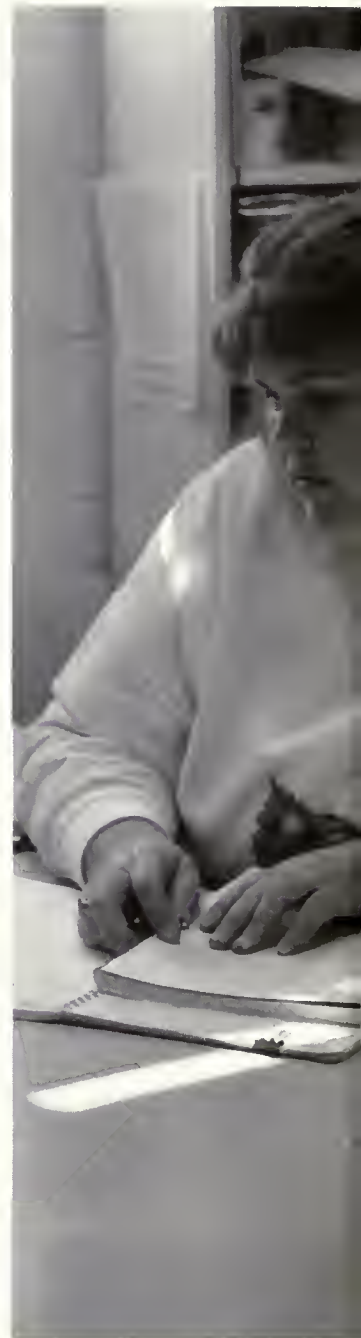
Front Row: Stefanie Meyer, Lisa Bangerter and Corrie Hellums. Row 2: Dr. Jawad Sadek, Anne Riney and Charles Coffey. Back Row: Eric Steele, Don Ferree, Chris Farmer, Scott Jermain and Scott Garten.



Agriculture Ambassadors

- Promoted agriculture department through tours and hometown recruiting

Front Row: Adviser Duane Jewell, Crystal Melcher and Josh Wall. Row 2: Tiffany Quillen, Kari Eck, Beth Collins and Courtney Burgert. Back Row: Bill Lymer, Bill Koile, Cody Bird and Colin Johnson.



Graduate Students

Chris Armiger, History
Earnest Collins Jr., Administration
Derrick Dalton, Health
Mahbubul Haq, MBA
Dennis Powers Jr., Administration
Jared Rissler, Biology



Seniors

Kristi Abplanalp, Psychology
Sung-jin Ahn, Chemistry
Heather Ange, Public Relations
Josh Akehurst, Computer Mgmt. Systems
Christy Allen, Social Business Ed.
Victoria Anderson, Elem./Middle School Ed.
Jeanette Antone, Elem. Ed./LD
Nikolaos Apostolopoulos, Marketing/Mgmt.



Kim Arndorfer, Comp. Science Systems
Sinan Atahan, Marketing/Int'l Business
Barrett Audsley, Computer Science
Sara Azdell, Psychology/Sociology
Mohamed Badn, Office Info. Systems
Sharlet Bailey, Food and Nutrition
Joshua Baker, Sociology
Nesnn Bakir, English Ed.





Close bonds provide foundation

by Laura Pearl

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Growing up in the town of Parnell, Mo., Catherine Auffert received the kind of neighborly support and encouragement only a small town could offer. Feeding off this consistent compassion, Auffert emerged as a quiet but confident 30-year-old non-traditional student.

As a freshman, Auffert thought she had everything settled and relaxed into the routine of being an elementary education major. It only took her a little while to get interested in more specific educational fields, however. Auffert discovered she liked the learning disabilities area of study after hearing about the many job opportunities available in that field. Since Auffert enjoyed helping others and teaching, she settled on this job-ready area and began working toward her degree as an elementary education/learning disabilities double major.

After Auffert gained her bachelor's degree, she thought she would immediately work to complete her master's degree and would be done in four years. This gave her better salary conditions and more expertise in her field. She never failed to enjoy other aspects of college life, however.

"I really liked the people and a few special activities best," Auffert said. "Intramurals was the activity I probably enjoyed the most. The intramurals I participated in were softball and volleyball."

As a senior in the master's program, Auffert utilized the job placement papers at Northwest, locating an opening at the Chula Excelerated School, in Chula, Mo. She applied for a learning disabilities position at Chula and was overjoyed to find she received the job.

"This was something I could see myself doing for a long time," Auffert said. "I wanted to work in a small, rural area, where everyone acted more like neighbors and less like strangers."

Auffert was quick to transfer the credit of her success to other sources.

"My parents inspired me by supporting me and wanting me to do the best in whatever I chose to do," Auffert said.

The small-town atmosphere and close family ties that surrounded Auffert in her youth provided her

AT CHULA EXCELLERATED School, in Chula, Mo., Catherine Auffert helps three students read. Auffert enjoyed her new-found career assisting children with learning disabilities. *Photo by Amy Roh*

with a foundation that carried her to success and happiness in college and in life.



Kerry Baldwin, Biology
Aleesha Barcus, Medical Technology
Angela Barnes, Business Mgmt
Meg Barnes, Broadcasting
Kelli Barnett, Agronomy
Andrea Bartels, Elem Ed/LD
Brooke Bartels, Broadcasting
Jennifer Bartlett, Marketing/Bus Mgmt

Angela Bayne, English
Suzannah Beebe, Zoology
Michele Beisel, Elem Ed
Chad Belfield, Agricultural Science
Lisa Bell, Broadcasting
Pamela Bell, Mathematics Ed
Joy Bettus, Elem Ed
Mark Bigelow, Public Relations

Mark Blain, Agricultural Business
Lori Blair, Horticulture
Kellie Bleich, Biology/Psychology
Jenny Blocker, Public Relations
Nichole Bockover, Corp Rec/Health Ed
Brett Boehm, Finance
Becky Bollinger, Elem Ed
Matthew Bonsignore, Inst Music

Working

out as a way of life

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by Michelle Krambeck

While at Northwest, Tim "Creatim" Anderson infiltrated his life into his major. His nickname, "Creatim" came from combining Tim and Creatin, a weight-gaining drug used by body-builders.

Anderson, a corporate wellness major from Maryville, pledged Delta Chi as a freshman. Working out at Looks Fitness Center and spending time with his fraternity brothers were his two favorite pastimes.

Anderson planned on one day becoming a personal trainer in Denver.

"I always loved competing and working out," Anderson said. "I hoped to make a career out of what I loved doing."

Anderson started working out in high school as a wrestler. In order to compete well, he often lifted weights. He ended up spending so much time at Looks that he got a job there.

His draw to Colorado came from his older brother Pat, Tim's biggest idol while growing up. He attended Colorado State University, which was the reason Tim became familiar with the state.

"I loved Colorado," Anderson said. "It was beautiful, and the people were so laid back."

Chad Cory, who became Anderson's best friend during Delta Chi pledgship, described Anderson as a little cocky, but a lot of fun.

"I had known Tim for a couple of years," Cory said. "He was crazy, but we always had fun. We had a blast together over the summer playing softball on the same league and just hanging out and drinking beer together here in Maryville."

Cory and Anderson worked out each day together. The two met at the Delta Chi House and went to Looks every afternoon. The tradition helped each of them with their lifting. Anderson felt Cory pushing him to do his best was a big asset to his workout.

"Chad and I made working out a lot of fun," Anderson said. "We were very serious about our workouts and made each other do our best every time, every day."

Whether it was working out or hanging out with his friends, Anderson always wore a smile and tried to have a good time.

IN PURSUIT OF the perfect body, Tim Anderson works out at Looks Fitness Center. Looks provided Anderson with an ideal workout setting with mirrored walls, a cardiovascular room and free-weight machines. *Photo by Jason Hoke*



Lindsey Borgstadt, Biology/Psychology
Amy Boyd, Elem. Ed.
Sarah Brosi, Sociology
Ethan Brown, Psychology/Sociology
Laura Brown, Elem. Ed.
Summer Brown, Psychology/Sociology
Terra Brummett, English
Vanessa Buhrmester, Elem. Ed.
Christina Bullock, Broadcasting
Amy Bunch, Elem. Ed.
Casey Burgert, Fam./Consumer Sci. Edu
Rebecca Burris, Merchandising/Textile
Julie Burroughs, Elem. Ed.
Amanda Buttler, Elem. Ed./Spanish
Cathleen Campbell, Elem. Ed.
Laura Campbell, Botany/Horticulture
Misty Campbell, Education/Spanish
Anthony Campobasso, Business
Jackie Carlson, Business Management
Sarah Carr, Independent Psychology
Kate Carrel, Elem. Ed.
Nicole Carter, Elem. Ed.
Sherr Casady, Corporate Recreation
Karen Casey, Child/Family Studies
Jennifer Chipman, English Ed.
Beth Christner, Elem. Ed.
Anna Chromy, Speech Communication
Brian Clark, Accounting
John Clausen, Marketing
Jennifer Chne, Elem. Ed.





Agriculture Club Freshmen & Sophomores

- Largest student organization on campus
- Hosted Barnwarming

Front Row: Valerie Cooper, Amanda Lindgren, Brienne Kiger, Jenn Fenner, Mandy Shaw and Kendra Masoner. Row 2: Robert Conley, Justin Salver, Marcus Marine, Brian Hula, Shawn Malter and Josh Sims. Row 3: Matt Gruber, Tom Head, Justin Dammann, Erin Gilmore, Ronnetta Waddell, Jason Poland and Robert Johnson. Back Row: Andy Minor, LeRoy Holmes, Brett Wellhausen, Brian Easley, Josh Dickerson, Ryan Meyerkorth, Tyler Williams and Justin Pollard.



Agriculture Club Juniors & Seniors

- Sponsored annual Agriculture Awards Banquet

Front Row: Ben Dohrman, Amy Smith, Renee Rhodus, Tom Fenner and Terri Kurrelmeyer. Row 2: Carrie Twyman, Katie Parpart, Beth Collins and Deborah Turner. Back Row: Mark Putney, Ben Bell, Dustin East, Phil Claypole, Kyle Hansen and Dan Buckman.



Agriculture Council

- Kept alumni from agriculture department informed about events with Alumni Newsletter

Front Row: Curt Friedel, Krystal Harpole, Dixie DeLee, Alicia Fagg and Nathan Moyer. Row 2: Jennifer Johannaber, Amy Smith, Courtney Burgert, Beth Collins, Heath Carlson and Kyle Sheetz. Back Row: James Paschal, Pat Holloway, Tom Head, Cody Bird, Rich Blackburn and Justin Wulff.



Alliance of Black Collegians

- Celebrated Martin Luther King Jr's birthday and sponsored candlelight walk
- Celebrated black history events throughout February

Front Row: Yasmine Osborn, Tommi Allen, Leila Jones, Angela Waller, Donna Davis, Louise Smith, Lincoln Ndegwa and Darline Myrti. Row 2: Kisha Cummings, Stefanie Rentie, Katrina Gibbs, Ray Barrett, Cymande Zalzal, Bernadette Russ, Andrae Dobbins and Jason Mudd. Back Row: Lakisha Ewing, Uzoamaka Nwoye, Mohamed Badri, Jermell Harris, Abdul-Kaba Abdullah, Kenneth McCain and Mmiliaku Nwoye.





Campus Reflection

As nighttime settles on Maryville, Rick Allen takes a look at the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza. The plaza showcased 54 flags from different countries.

Photo by Jason Myers

Alliance of Black Colligians Executive Board & Committee Chairs

- Assisted black students in developing appreciation of the social, moral intellectual and cultural values to further academic and future goals

Front Row: Brandi Hughes, Kimberly Merrill, Jason Greer and April Griffith. Row 2: Lonita Rowland, Lashauna Roberson, Brandi Collins and Latoria Johnson. Back Row: LeRon Ford, Cedric Norton, Tyrone Bates Jr. and Jessica Payton.



Alpha Kappa Alpha

- Community service organization
- Focused on service to mankind with high ethical standard and high scholastic achievement

Front Row: Lonita Rowland and April Griffith.



Alpha Mu Gamma/Phi Sigma Iota

- National collegiate foreign language honor society
- Hosted dinner in February
- Helped with foreign language day

Front Row: Desirae Rand, Louise Horner, Jody Schwartz, Jennifer Hayes and Nicki Pebley. Row 2: Lia Bradley, Dena Hotmer, Dan Ayala, Cynthia Crook, Rob Duvall and Rita DelSignore. Back Row: Trevor Moyer, Lynsi Rahorst, Kevin Schlomer, Jennifer Strader, Monica Knapp and Sinan Atahan.



Heather Cooling, Wildlife Ecology
Anne Coy, Physical Ed.
Cynthia Crook, History
Jeff Crowley, Social Science
Stacy Cummings, Marketing
Clayton Cunningham, Art
Jennifer Davidson, Business Mgmt.
Jim Davies, Broadcasting

Jon Davis, Physical Ed.
Jennifer DeBuhr, Geology
Rita DelSignore, French
Jennifer Dennis, Merchandising/Textile
Thomas Derrington, Journalism
Dave DiBernardo, Public Relations
Mark Dillenschneider, Marketing
Jenny Dimmitt, Child/Family Studies

Travis Dimmitt, Journalism/History
Tiffany Dodson, Broadcasting
Ben Dohrman, Agricultural Business
Amy Donald, Accounting
Adam Droegemueller, Broadcasting
Howard Dumke, Elem. Ed
Rosalie Durbin, English Ed
Christi Edinger, Education



Distance strengthens family bond

by Michelle Krambeck



The college experience was more for Angie Schuler than just getting an education. Her experiences at Northwest helped Schuler and her older sister, Gina, become best friends.

When Angie was a high school sophomore, Gina left their hometown of Griswold, Iowa, and came to Maryville. The separation and distance made the two closer. Once the two were out of the house, they realized how much they had in common.

"I would go to Maryville to visit Gina while I was in high school," Schuler said. "I always had so much fun with her and her friends. When I had a problem at home or with school or boys, I always called her. She was close enough to my age to be understanding but was still

my big sister."

Before Angie came to Northwest, the two faced a tragedy that made them grateful for their close relationship.

"My mom passed away when I was a senior in high school and Gina kind of took over as my mom," Schuler said. "I did not know how we would have gotten through it without each other."

After graduation, Gina moved to Council Bluffs, Iowa, with her fiancé. The couple found a two bedroom apartment, so Angie would have her own bed when she came to visit, which she frequently did. Angie planned to move to Council Bluffs to do her student teaching and to live with her sister and future brother-in-law.

The two had the enormous responsibility of planning Gina's wedding. They both looked forward to it but knew it would be difficult without their mother.

"I completely admired Gina," Angie said. "She was a strong person and gave up a lot of her own responsibilities to take care of me."

At Northwest, the Schuler sisters were inseparable. Northwest has helped all kinds of students develop life long friendships, but few were more valuable than the relationship between two sisters.

WHILE SHE VISITS her sister, Gina Schuler, and her sister's fiancé in Council Bluffs, Iowa, Angie Schuler converses over Thanksgiving dinner. Angie tried to visit her sister as much as she could. *Photo by Nicole Fuller*



Ginny Edwards, Public Relations
Katie Eidson, Elem. Ed
Rebekah Eilers, Business Economics
Carnie Elliott, Elem. Ed
Kyle Elliott, Geography
Dustin Ellis, Agricultural Business
Jennifer Ensley, Geo./Comp. Science
Carnie Epp, Elementary/LD

Jamie Esdohr, Elem. Ed
Alicia Fagg, Animal Science/Chemistry
Greg Fairholm, Art
Michelle Falcon, Therapy Recreation
Mamawi Farmer, Geography
Musharni Farmer, Geography
Brian Faulkner, Marketing
Jeannette Ferguson, Middle School Ed

Sam Ferris, English/Speech/Theatre Ed
Andrea Finney, Elem./LD
Carnie Fisher, Agricultural Education
Nicole Fizette, Psychology
Justin Fletcher, Education/Social Science
Andrea Flowers, Elem. Ed
Erika Ford, Marketing
LeRon Ford, Geography

Alpha Psi Omega

- Honorary theater fraternity
- Sponsored annual touring children's show

Front Row: Sara Ramsey, Steve Ottman, Molly O'Brien and Rebecca Bonebrake. Back Row: Nathan Stuber, Craig Weinhold and Paul Nevins.



Alpha Tau Alpha

- Participated in Adopt-A-Highway program
- Served as judges and scorers for high school agricultural/FFA contest

Front Row: Trevor Ballard, Travis Rasmussen, Rebekah Frost and Dr. Hoskey. Row 2: Curt Friedel, Carrie Fisher, Kendra Masoner, Leda Smith, Ronetta Waddell and Katie Jacobs. Back Row: Matthew Ray, Ben Bell, Dan Buckman, Amy Smith, Phil Claypole, Eric Miller and Rich Thomas.



American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

- Helped further advancement of careers in the human environmental services department
- Attended Missouri Association of Family and Consumer Sciences state meeting

Front Row: Gina Hartsock, Chalene McJunkin and Sara Henke. Row 2: Julie Jacobs, Jennifer Davidson, Heather Byrom, Sandi Holmes, Jessica Poindexter and Nicole McCune. Row 3: Julie Bever, Stacy Sands, Gwen Beyer, Cristina Peacock, AnnHudson, Liz Shafar, Rory Frisbie and Heather Heidzig. Back Row: Jena Hansen, Alisha Bretz, Kristi Wiederstein, Erin Avery, Amanda Muller, Kristi Wedlock, Dena Schroeder, Rachel Moores, Angel McAdams and Kristin Farley.



American Marketing Association

- Participated In international marketing conference
- Sponsored a family at Christmas
- Brought busnss-related speakers to campus

Front Row: Erin Speed, Lynette Schaffner, Susan McAllister, Heather Ward, Janelle Howard, Emily Reese, Geri Jennings and Andrea Sacco. Row 2: Tabitha Botz, Alynna Clemmons, Stacie McLaughlin, Jackie Carlson, Erika Sharp, Danelle Ackerman, Ryan Tompkins, Dana Laird and Angela Barnes. Back Row: Lori Lanham, Erika Ford, Sarah Pelkey, Greg Reichart, Daniel Koch, Anthony Edelen, Laura Wall and Sinan Atahan.





Unexpected event leads to love

by Kimberly Mansfield

Adversity was something Cally Shepherd knew in her life; however, she triumphed over it and became a stronger person.

Shepherd was an identical twin; however, her twin, Molly, chose a different path than Cally.

"She was a cosmetologist," Cally said. "We were close, but we were ready to be apart because everyone saw us as 'the twins.' Now, it was cool because people here knew me here as Cally, and they knew her there as Molly."

When Cally's parents got divorced, many changes had to be made. However, Shepherd did not believe the divorce was too hard on her, due to circumstances surrounding it.

"It did not bother me, because my dad was never there throughout my life," Shepherd said. "He was an alcoholic, and he always went on vacations without us. He cheated on my mom. He admitted—they were married for 20 years and after the first three years, he started cheating on her. I did not like my dad; he was a jerk."

Despite her parents unsuccessful marriage, Shepherd was able to develop relationships.

A CHANCE MEETING turned into a year and a half relationship for Cally Shepherd and Matt Gorgen. Shepherd and Gorgen met at work when coincidentally neither of them were scheduled to work. *Portrait by Amy Roh*

Shepherd worked at Hy-Vee in the customer service department. On July 4, she was asked to work when she was not scheduled. Coincidentally, a young man who stocked Dr Pepper was also working when not scheduled.

Matt Gorgen stocked Dr Pepper. When some fell, Shepherd pushed it out of the way. They met, and it led to a relationship that had lasted for a year and a half.

"He kind of changed me," Shepherd said. "I did not like my family, and he had good family values. He was a good guy. He looked after me and spoiled me to death."

As a psychology major, Shepherd found her place by helping others.

"I knew that I wanted to do something in medicine because I liked helping people," Shepherd said. "I did not like to take; I would rather give."

Shepherd was a hard worker, and her pet peeve was laziness. Her life philosophy was simple.

"Live life to the fullest, (because) you never knew what you were going to miss," Shepherd said. "Do not be afraid of challenges."

Shepherd was sure to triumph over any obstacle with hard work and the determination to succeed.

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Jennifer Frese, Elem. Ed.
Curt Friedel, Agriculture Teaching
Brian Froelker, Business Management
Allyson Fudge, Org. Communication
Teresa Ganger, Elem. Ed.
Kittie Gazaway, Accounting
Nicole Geiter, Computer Mgmt. Systems
Kurtis Gentry, Accounting
Melissa Gilkison, Middle School Education
Steve Gilson, Wildlife Ecology
Andres Gomez, Marketing
Megee Goodhart, Elem. Ed.
Kimberly Grant, Agricultural Business
Candy Gregg, Psychology
Mike Greiner, Marketing
Chris Griesen, Physical Education
Shena Greiner, Instrumental Music
April Grider, Elem. Ed.
April Griffith, Broadcasting
Sara Griggs, Humanities/History
Andrew Grishow, Agricultural Business
Karisa Groth, Elem. Ed.
Adnan Gulbay, Business Management
Debbie Gunia, Elem. Ed.
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Alan Hamkel, Broadcasting
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Dan Hammerbacher, Marketing

Protection of human rights

by Sara Ramsey

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"That which did not kill me made me stronger." With this philosophy and role models like Tori Amos and Maya Angelou, Kelly Grebe hoped to one day be remembered as a person with original ideas that cared about others.

"(I admired) their ability to turn their experiences into something incredibly powerful that touched other people by saying 'No matter what you did to me, you could not destroy me,'" Grebe said. "That was the kind of person I would like to have been."

Grebe's personal views mirrored her political views. She was able to express these in Amnesty International, a campus organization that dealt with human rights throughout the world.

"We were a student organization that worked to free prisoners of conscience—people that were detained or tortured solely for their beliefs, color, language, or sex," Grebe said. "We believed that their governments did not have a right to infringe on their human rights."

As treasurer for the organization, Grebe's responsibilities included collecting dues, purchasing necessary supplies and distributing urgent action materials each week.

Periodically, the organization would receive urgent actions, or accounts of injustice occurring throughout the world. The group would then take action by writing government officials or circulating a petition in the J.W. Jones Union.

Grebe became a member of the organization to help fight injustices brought upon individuals.

"It was really compelling that you could help someone in a situation like that, or you could become aware of someone in a different situation and try to help them," Grebe said.

Grebe's desire to help others was reflected in her work with Nodaway County Services. She spent 15 to 20 hours a week traveling to homes of handicapped individuals.

"It was a really good job—a good experience," Grebe said. "I got to work with people one on one, and I got to do all sorts of things like recreation and physical therapy."

Grebe wanted to continue to help people. Amnesty International gave her the ability to do this.

AN ADVOCATE FOR human rights, Kelly Grebe requests the signatures of fellow students on different petitions. Petitions were a common way Amnesty International communicated their views worldwide. *Photo by Jason Myers*

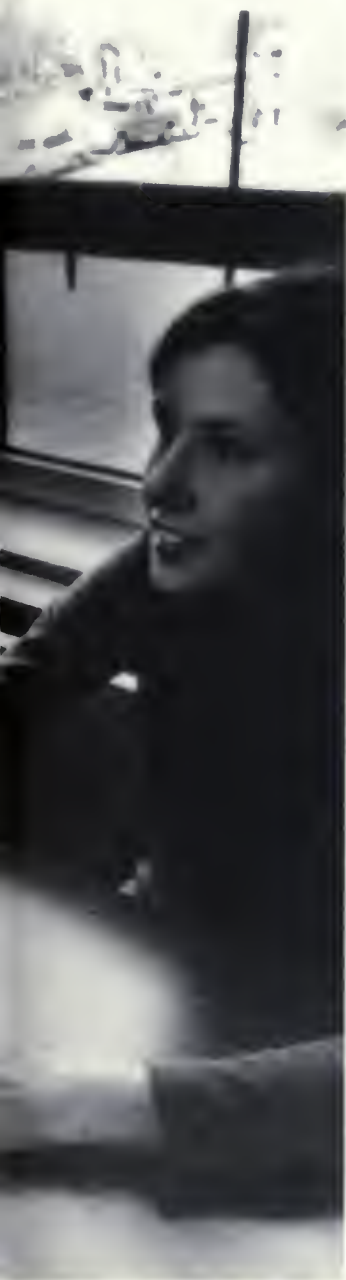


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Allison Happle, Accounting
Jamie Hatz, Journalism
Matthew Hazen, Middle School Science
Carnie Henderson, Merchandising
Carnie Hering, Corp. Rec./Wellness

Michelle Hibbs, Child/Family Studies
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Chanel Hill, Elem. Ed.
Catrina Hintz, Elem. Ed.
Jeremy Hoeflicker, Finance
Jason Hoke, Journalism
Pat Holloway, Agronomy
Amber Holman, Merchandising

Brandy Holton, Elem. Ed./LD
Jim Honn, Elem. Ed./LD
Brian Hopf, Agricultural Business
Jennifer Howard, Psychology
Greg Howdeshell, Computer Science
Ann Hudson, Merchandising
Rebecca Hunsucker, Computer Science
Donna Hurt, Child/Family Studies





Amnesty International

- Dealt with human rights problems throughout the world

Front Row: Angela Zieher, Saja Racot, and Chris Heier. Row 2: Dorelle Kriegel, Kelly Grebe, Nicole Andersen, Susan Thomas and Mike Springet. Back Row: Mark Reed, Russell Eich, Ben Palmer and Joseph Jackson.



Art Education Club

- Held art auction
- Sponsored art Saturdays for children

Front Row: Sarah Wieland, Keely Whipp and Donelle Martin. Back Row: Molly Kinen, Matthew Case, Colby Mathews, David Adams and Jennifer Chambers.



Association of Computing Machinery

- Promoted an interest in computers and applications
- Provided means for sharing an interest in computers

Front Row: Amber Van Wyk, Shelli Blum and Kimberly Miller. Row 2: Mary McDonald, Gary McDonald, Jeff Talmage, and Gary Bolin. Row 3: Andrew Saeger, Philip Maher, Timothy Bell, Rebecca Hunsucker and Jon Holt. Back Row: Dakota Derr, Bill Terry, Nathan Meyer, Barry Audsley and Phil Heeler.



Hayat Ibrici, Business Management
Peter Ingle, Chemistry/Pre-Pro. Zoology
Julie Jacobs, Child/Family Psychology
Peggy James, English
Jackie Jameson, Elem. Ed
Carla Janssens, Therapeutic Recreation
Travis Jaques, Biology Cellular/Molecular
Rachael Jenks, Public Relations

Gen Jennings, Marketing
Rebecca Jensen, Marketing
Scott Jermann, Physical Education
Hilare Jerik, Broadcasting
Amanda Johnson, Elem. Ed
Colin Johnson, Animal Science
Daniel Johnson, Environmental Geology
Kevin Johnson, Music Education

Megan Jones, Psychology/Sociology
Rebecca Jones, Middle School Education
Scott Jones, Broadcasting
Ryan Kelly, Wildlife Conservation
Julie Kennedy, Accounting
Ryan Kenney, Public Relations
Rodney Keuck, Physical Ed./Sexology
Kim Keune, Elem. Ed



JUST BEFORE HIS first class, Curt Friedel calls some landlords about apartments. Friedel wanted to make sure that everything was taken care of before his student teaching started. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



24 HOURS Traditional Students

In his final days of his last semester at Northwest Curt Friedel reorganized his life to make the transition from being an agriculture student to a student teacher in Randolph, Neb.

Friedel began the transition early by handing down his executive board positions in the many organizations to which he belonged. Although Friedel reduced his schedule from previous semesters, he still carried his daily planner.

A time-conscious person, Friedel planned for time with friends, work and class.





AT THE SHINDIGG Curt Friedel dances with Jane Smith. The Shindigg was an alcohol and tobacco-free environment. *Photo by Jason Myers*



WORKING AT THE Hudson Hall front desk, Curt Friedel prepares notices for residents to let them know they have packages. Friedel sorted mail at the residence hall. *Photo by Jason Hoke*



AFTER A BUSY day Curt Fnedel takes time to have lunch with a group of friends. Fnedel usually ate lunch with a group of friends at Tower Grill. *Photo by Jason Hoke*



AFTER HER TEACHING

practicum Tammy Peden goes to class where she went over her tests from the semester to prepare for a final. Besides working with first graders Peden had to find time in her schedule to study. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AT BROWN HALL Tammy Peden reads a book to first graders. Peden was studying to become an elementary school teacher. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



JUST BEFORE THE children arrive, Tammy Peden fills up little cups of paint. The children had a special day of fun activities because it was the University students' last day of practicum. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

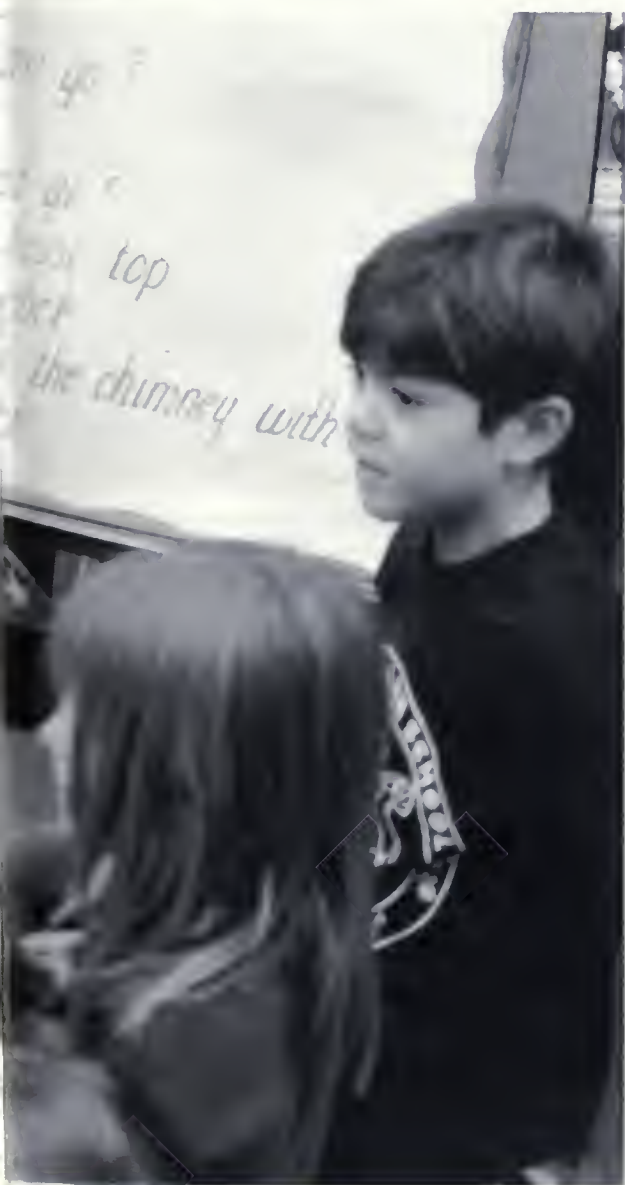




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WHILE DOING A scientific experiment, Tammy Peden helps Montanna Benson paint a rock. The children made paper weights out of painted rocks. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



24 hours

Traditional Students

While Curt Friedel was ending his hands-on agriculture experience at Northwest, Tammy Peden had her hands full with several first graders at Horace Mann. Peden, an education major, had a mixed schedule of onsite practicum classes and classes dealing with the methods and theories of teaching. Peden's teaching experiences of first graders was different from Friedel's agricultural education.

Religion

plays crucial role in maturity

by Eric Davis

Before college, Lori Casey was less than enthusiastic about her religious faith. Once she got to Northwest things began to change.

"I got a lot closer to God," Casey said.

Casey was a leader at the Christian Campus House, a close-knit organization that met every Tuesday night to reach out to students and profess the Gospel.

"I met a lot of great people through church," Casey said.

Casey was a math major with an emphasis in education. She was excited about teaching children to enjoy math.

"I wanted to help people appreciate math," Casey said. "There were not enough good math teachers."

After college, Casey planned to teach for a few years and possibly become a counselor. She was influenced by Scott Young, her high school counselor.

"He was very encouraging and sincere," Casey said. "I wanted to use my talents to help kids the way he did."

Casey was confident she would reach her goals.

"I felt that whatever I decided to do, I would work hard enough to do it," Casey said. "To me, failure was not an option."

Casey attributed her strong work ethic to her parents. They proved to be great examples of hard work and persistence.

Casey was determined to have a positive effect on people. She believed that by placing Jesus Christ at the center of her life she was sure to succeed.

Casey explained her philosophy by citing John 10:10, "The thief comes not but that he may steal, and kill and destroy. I come that they might have life and might have it abundantly."

Even though Casey's path was different from most students, she was confident it would take her where she wanted to go.

CHRISTIAN CAMPUS HOUSE leader Lori Casey developed a stronger faith since arriving at Northwest. Casey wanted to teach math after college. *Portrait by Jason Hoke*



Brian Kever, Broadcasting
Chris Kimpson, Psychology/Sociology
Jamie Kimrey, Computer Mgmt. Systems
Melissa Klein, Psychology/Sociology
Trisha Knepp, Middle School Education
Andrea Knight, Geology
Joshua Knutson, Horticulture
Daniel Koch, Marketing
Michelle Koenke, Elem. Ed.
Hideka Konno, Chemistry
Michelle Krambeck, Political Science/Journalism
Carm Kropf, Elem. Ed.
Kimberly Kruse, Psychology
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Ginger Langemeier, Public Relations
Bridget Larabee, Biology/Psychology
Heidi Larven, Child/Family Psychology
Will Larson, Agricultural Business
Rusty Lashley, Psychology/Sociology
Michelle Launsby, Elem. Ed.
Linda Leavitt, Psychology
Tiffany Leeveer, Vocal Music Education
Troy Lehan, Psychology
Heather Libby, Elem. Ed.
Shay Linahon, Marketing
Brant Lindsey, Speech/Org. Comm.
Dwon Littlejohn, Public Administration
Angela Livingston, Geology
Stephany Louk, Psych./Criminal Justice
Jennifer Ludwig, Molecular Biology





Baptist Student Union

- Held Christian Advantage Rally
- Held welcome barbecue
- Collected extra aladine money for charity

Front Row: Kaori Nagai, Mendy Wilson, Joy Warren, Kristin Yesenosky and Jon Holt. Row 2: Lenetta Heller, Joanna Bayer, Stacey Birkley, Laura Ressler, Amy Abplanalp and Angela Johnston. Row 3: Lori Patton, Eric Eklof, Heidi Hester, Becky Meeker, Brian Swink, Maggie Dittmar, Racheal Brown and Karin Yarnell. Back Row: Darren King, Alan McCrary, Brian Schaefer, Dakota Derr, Jason Yarnell, Josh McKim, Kevin Schlomer and Rebecca Hunsucker.



Bearcat Sweetheart Football Ambassadors

- Supported Bearcat football family on and off the field
- Gave tours to perspective players during recruitment season
- Regularly decorated players lockers and the stadium

Front Row: Stacy Rushton, Carrie Elliott, Dannah Duecy, Angie Katz, Maria Nanninga, Melynda Pickerell and Jill Kreisler. Row 2: Kelly Quinn, Jamey Dedrickson, Shauna Gard, Cindy Carrigan, Tessa Miller, Christine Helling, Elisa Delehant and Sue Emerson. Back Row: Cindy Tjeerdsma, Amy Rodgers, Jamasa Kramer, Leslye Rogers, Mindy Thorne, Damon Erickson, Erin O'Brien, Leslie Ogle and Melinda Watkins.



Beta Beta Beta

- Sponsored Junior High Olympiad
- Promoted and supported biological activities and studies

Front Row: Dave Ruzicka, Angie Bowman and Laura Campbell. Back Row: Aleesha Barcus.



Blue Key

- Recognized student leaders on campus
- Required to be in top one third of class scholastically and active in other activities and organizations

Front Row: Jessica Boynton, Kelly Archer, Karen Barmann and Sarah Hambrecht. Row 2: Nick Inzerello, Dwayne Saucier, Mark Pederson, Benjamin Prell and Robert Aschentrop. Back Row: Adviser J. Pat McLaughlin, Ryan George, Matt Redd, Chris Greisen and Brian Cooley.

Campus Activity Programmers

- Sponsored concerts, movies, comedians and other entertainment
- Brought The Second City, Night of 1,000 Laughs and "Spirit of the Dance" to campus

Front Row: Becky Kondas, Amy Carpenter, Jamie Harris and Jennifer Davidson. Back Row: Christina Cranmer, Pat Iske, Anthony Edelen, Brian Hopf and Beth Fajen.



Campus Crusade for Christ

- Sponsored fall retreat for members
- Sponsored a hayride

Front Row: Matt Burns, Carrie Mace, Sarah McCurdy, Nikki McNally, Jennifer Jensen, Sara Azdell, Marianne Stone, Lori Pierce and Teresa Ganger. Row 2: Corey Potts, Kelly Rath, Jennifer Boyer, Erin McKillip, Becky Kondas, Amy Blunk, Heather Ward, Leigh Meyer, Katie Nelson, Jessa Corbett and Laura Hampton. Row 3: Ian Carle, Kate Carrel, Jackie Carlson, Becky Miller, Catrina Hintz, Justin Berger, Ryan Blanks, Chanell Hill, Jenny Reynolds, Stefanie Rentie, Kerry Baldwin and Aimee Lambert. Back Row: Nitin Gail, Micah Thieszen, Mark Hornickel, Jamin Howell, Jeff Wingo, Jeremy Walker, Chad McGraw, Karl Schweigel, Coby McComas, Josh Norris, Matt Staub and Jay Willis.



Cardinal Key

- Sold paper tennis shoes for \$1 for juvenile diabetes

Front Row: Cindy Carrigan, Debby Grantham, Michele Beisel and Jeanne Swarnes. Row 2: Julie Norlen, Jen Weipert, Vanessa Buhrmester, Kelly Archer and Teresa Ganger. Back Row: Jennifer Rule, Jennifer Waldron, Robert Aschentrop, Benjamin Prell, Stefanie Rentie and Angela Patton.



Jason Lusk, Psychology
Jeffrey Lukens, Business Management
Christy Lyda, Elem. Ed.
Miranda Lyle, Middle School Education
Sandy Mace, Psychology
Jill Maeder, Geography
Rosalyn Manahan, Middle School Science
Larry Manneman, Geology



Travis Manners, Biology/Psychology
Megan Marino, Elem. Ed.
Heather Marsh, Industrial/ Org. PS
Kimberly Mason, Journalism
Erin Massey, English Education
Linda Mattson, Elem. Ed.
Michelle Mattson, Public Relations
Patricia Maturure, Comp. Mgmt. Systems



Melissa Maw, Elem. Ed.
Angel McAdams, Child/Family Studies
Susan McAllister, Business Management
Suzanne McBain, Psychology
Coby McComas, Business Management
Alan McCrary, Math Education
Megan McFee, Psychology
Farrah McGuire, Broadcasting





Future career reflects upbringing

by Derek McDermott

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Kind and caring were two words that described Jennifer Boyer, a freshman who enjoyed doing things for other people.

"I loved to work with little children and help them to know God and how to have fun," Boyer said.

In Boyer's first year at Northwest, she decided to major in elementary education. She hoped to teach third or fourth grade students. Boyer became interested in elementary education because of her upbringing in Stanton, Iowa.

"Growing up in Stanton, I was always around children," Boyer said. "My dad was a teacher and my mom ran a day care out of the home and I guess having been around children a lot just peaked my interest in working with them."

Boyer also attributed her love of kids to their innocent qualities. She thought kids never judged, were creative, and were not afraid to display honesty, even when it could hurt them.

Even with class demands and helping out with children, Boyer found time to participate in some campus organizations. She was a member of Campus Crusade for Christ, which was a group of students who listened to evangelism and helped others to know and love God.

Boyer enjoyed working with kids, baby-sitting and doing fun and educational activities that would help children to learn and develop.

Boyer lived in Millikan Hall. She loved living on campus and did not want to move off.

"I really liked the people I lived with and enjoyed all of the personal freedom that came with living on campus," Boyer said.

It was clear, even by her own perception, that Boyer loved to interact with people.

"I really loved to talk and present as a public speaker," Boyer said.

While Boyer began to achieve her goals, Northwest became merely another stepping stone

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJOR Jennifer Boyer surfs the Internet for information for one of her classes. Boyer was involved in Campus Crusade for Christ and the International Reading Association. *Photo by Jason Hoke*

to the bright future she hoped to have as an elementary school teacher, wife and mother.



Gayle McIntosh, Computer Management
Chalene McJunkin, Merchandising
Jennifer Meiners, Earth Science
Becky Mellon, Journalism
Amara Melonis, Geography/Geology
Leticia Mendoza, International Business
Marcy Messner, Child/Family Studies
Stefanie Meyer, Finance Statistics

Kelly Meyers, Business Education
Angela Middleton, Office Info Systems
Becky Miller, Journalism/History
Jamie Miller, Elem Ed
Angela Mittan, Geography
Junana Mohd Nor, Marketing
Michael Mohrhauser, Geography
Amy Moore, Psychology

Sarah Moore, Industrial/ Org PS
Jay Morrison, Accounting
Teresa Mundle, Marketing
Karen Murano, Theatre/Speech Education
Corey Murphy, Geology
Jennifer Myler, Sociology
Chris Nelson, Agronomy
Kevin Neuhaus, Computer Science

Visual actions promote alcohol awareness

by Kaori Nagai

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Seeing many friends involved in alcohol-related accidents, **Nitin Goil** decided to join Chemical Abuse Resource and Education.

CARE had many helpful programs to promote alcohol awareness at Northwest such as Alcohol Awareness Week, Cheers Program, mocktails and Safe Spring Break. Among them, Mock Crash, a simulated-accident site to show the effects of driving under the influence of alcohol, was the biggest event of the fall.

"Basically, a lot of people were visual learners," Goil said. "They just saw things, and they said, 'Oh, this could happen to me?' That was mainly what our focus was. If they saw an accident and saw people bleeding or dead because of alcohol, they would think twice about having alcohol and driving, or how bad alcohol could have been if you did not drink responsibly."

He also helped students with academic problems as a student mentor for Student Support Services.

Goil said he loved helping people. He donated the money he earned through his work on campus to Mother Teresa Sisters of Missionaries and the Princess Diana Fund.

"I believed God gave me so much, and I definitely needed to give it back to people, people in need," Goil said. "I was very human and sensitive. So, I thought if I was having too much, I should share with people who were in need."

Goil also said it was important to let people feel not drinking was okay by promoting mocktails, non-alcoholic cocktails.

Goil graduated in December. He believed the turning point in his life was his decision to come to Northwest.

Goil's years at Northwest were the longest time he was away from his family, and he said this helped him to be more independent, outgoing and capable.

Goil used his new lifestyle to encourage college students to drink safely or not at all through his involvement in CARE.

NITIN GOIL WORKS at the computer in the Chemical Abuse Resource and Education office. Goil helped with different types of programming for CARE such as mocktails and mock crash. *Photo by Valerie Mossman*



Ar-Wah Ng, Art
Melissa Nichols, Agricultural Business
Jodi Nielsen, English
Jennifer Nieman, Child/Family Studies
Erika Niemeyer, Broadcasting
Michael Nihsen, Animal Science
Teresa Nopoulos, Child/Family Studies
Julie Norlen, Theatre/Spanish
Austin Nothwehr, Agricultural Business
Craig Oberbroeckling, Wildlife Ecology
Jason Odegaard, Marketing
Leslie Ogle, Psychology
James Osalkowski, Biology/Psychology
Yasmine Osborn, Psychology/Sociology
Lisa Owen, Elem. Ed.
Michelle Pace, Communications
Teresa Parvin, Broadcasting
Lon Patton, Wildlife Ecology Conservation
Duff Paules, History/Psychology
Christopher Peasley, Computer Mgmt.
Kelly Pedotto, Theatre Performing Arts
Rachel Peek, Business Education
Sarah Pelkey, Marketing
Lisa Penix, Psychology/Sociology
Marcellina Perez, Elem. Ed.
ManeJo Perez, International Business
Samantha Perpitch-Harvey, Philosophy
Amber Perry, Agricultural Business
Becky Peters, Elem. Ed.
Andrew Petersen, Agricultural Science





Chemical Abuse Resource and Education

- Sponsored events for National Alcohol Awareness Week
- Hosted Mock Crash and midnight bowling

Front Row: Amber Monroe, Stephanie Meyer and Tina Cummings. Back Row: Carol Cowles, Cathy Fleak, Nitin Gail and Tamika Guinn.



Chinese Student Association

- Hosted Moon Cake Festival

Front Row: Wee-lee Chan, Kristy Chu, Nai-Hua Wu, Fran Li, Hui Chen and Ko-An Yang. Back Row: Ai-Wah Ng, Siwei Kuang, Elaine Pei, Bing Yao and Seoh-Hun Tan.



Christian Campus House

- Sponsored retreats in Southern Missouri
- Took mission trip during spring break

Front Row: Jacque Kiger, Jill Ridenour, Lori Casey and Amy Paxton. Row 2: Kristen Sprague, Leah Runyan, Elizabeth Crowner, Stephanie Wallace, Natalie Anne Wilson, Jamie Borsh, Jo Brassfield and Joy Warren. Row 3: Melissa Defenbaugh, Kevin Joseph Schlomer, Andrea Ury, Monica Stens, Marianne Maynard, Heather Ortman, Sheri Howard, Angela Wood, Ashley Davis and Laura Ressler. Back Row: Tom Eisele, Nic Vasquez, Mike Strong, Rob Ahlrichs, Nate Watson, Dakota Derr, Cheryl Dobson, Justin Fletcher, Jamin Howell, Joshua Juengel and Dan Messer.



Christian Campus House

- Hosted weekly bible study and worship
- Sponsored bible study for international students

Front Row: Jennifer Davidson, Racheal Brown, Lanetta Heller, Beth Dilges, Melissa Drydale and Nicole Lister. Row 2: Stacey Birkley, Aimee Lambert, Shelley Pruitt, Loren Boley, Jon Lucas and Amanda Mackoy. Row 3: Sarah Charley, Rachel Charley, Matt Coston, Ashley Kyhn, Loren Messer and Scott Dunfield. Back Row: Doug Hubble, Austin Brown, Marisa Conroy, Kristin Wiederstein, Miranda Nagel, Brett Turner and Roger Charley.

Independence discovered at college

by Laura Pearl

Fulfilling the legacy of her two alumni parents, Elizabeth Nowiszewski entered Northwest expecting to gain useful knowledge and experiences that would help her begin a successful career in elementary education.

Nowiszewski was enrolled full time and worked toward a double major in elementary education and learning disabilities. Her motivation and determination shined through the ambitious, but sometimes quiet, individual.

Nineteen-year-old Nowiszewski began her life in Des Moines, Iowa, where she lived with her two sisters, and her mother and father until she reached the seventh grade. She moved twice with her family again before finally ending up in what she claimed as her hometown—Blue Springs, Mo.

When looking to the past, Nowiszewski did not miss her high school days. She kept in touch with her friends and family, visited home occasionally and remained close to them, but adopted Northwest as her new home and life.

One of the key aspects of campus life that Nowiszewski appreciated was her new-found freedom.

"It was nice not having to go to every class every hour of a school day," Nowiszewski said. "I had more free time to watch television and other stuff I never got to do last year, and I felt like I had a lot more independence."

Even though Nowiszewski loved to watch shows such as "Friends" occasionally, her true love during idle time was the great outdoors.

"If it was a nice day, I liked to be outside, especially at the lake getting sun and fresh air," Nowiszewski said.

Soccer, walking and running were some of the other interests that Nowiszewski had when it came to the outdoors.

Nowiszewski took on the role of soccer player on the Northwest women's soccer team, feeding off the intense coaching from her days at her sports-conscious high school.

With that athletic commitment, plus the new-found free time the college offered, Nowiszewski still made sure to spend adequate time on her studies, hoping to use her double major to fulfill her career dreams.

"I wanted to be a second grade teacher, but I had not gotten into the learning disabilities part of my major to know how much I was going to like it yet," Nowiszewski said.

Nowiszewski did not want to take on the task of teaching children to read, so she set her goal to teach second grade.

"In first grade, the kids did not know how to read yet," Nowiszewski said. "In second grade there was still a lot left for them to learn, but they knew the basics."

Whichever path she chose to take in her pursuit for a successful and happy life, Nowiszewski realized a sound college education would be the most beneficial asset she could seize.

"I had always just felt that, in order to get on with my life, I needed to go to college and get my degree," Nowiszewski said.

Driven by family support and guidance, Nowiszewski took on the challenges of college life with a positive and energetic outlook.

Mitchell Peterson, Computer Science
Sarah Phupps, Journalism/French
Barry Platt, Broadcasting
Stacy Plummer, Elem. Ed.
Corey Potts, Computer Science
Matthew Pritchett, Physical Education
James Prothman, Pre-Veterinary
Mark Putney, Agricultural Business



Ted Quinlin, Elem. Ed.
Chris Railsback, Speech Communication
Pamela Railsback
Beth Rasa, Child/Family Studies
Carrie Raleigh, Management/Marketing
Matthew Ray, Agricultural Education
Chad Rea, Geography/Computer Science
Emily Reeve, Computer Mgmt. Systems

Gregory Reichart, Marketing
Carrie Reisenrath, Geology
Katie Reilly, Child/Family Psychology
Kimberly Reitsma, Psychology
Stefanie Rentie, Elem. Ed./L.D.
Jennifer Reynolds, Elem. Ed.
Tamara Rhodus, Agricultural Business
Candace Rice, Business Management



Computer Management Society

- Brought guest speakers to biweekly meetings
- Toured major corporations each semester

Front Row: Brandy Vandiver, Kim Arndorfer, Elaine Winecott, Eileen Allen and Maria Seebeck. Row 2: Melanie Rimmer, Emily Reese, Shawn Sandell, Brian Stevens, Andrew Saeger and Dr. Ron Moss. Back Row: Angela Riley, Robert Schuett, Devin Warrington, Craig Schieber, Ryan Cook and Chris Richards



Country Faith

- Organization of Christians devoted to offering an alternative to the bar
- Sponsored non-alcoholic, non-tobacco country music dance, "The Shindigg," weekly

Front Row: Peggy Marriott, Alysa Townsend, Jamie Gaston and Jama Zimmerman. Row 2: Elizabeth Crownover, Wendy Dakan, Leah Runyan, Tracy Young and Jessica Spahr. Row 3: Misty Masters, Ben McElroy, Doug Hubble, Heather Ortman and Kristen Campbell. Back Row: Kyle Gaston, Justin Fletcher, Matt Van Schyndel, Brandon Benitz, Matt Strauch and Brian Howard.



Delta Mu Delta

- Business ambassadors at Northwest
- Attended national convention in San Antonio, Texas
- Hosted business etiquette meals

Front Row: Lori Snodgrass, Allison Happle, Teri Buhman, Jennifer Hoffman, Sarah Stephens and Kittie Gazaway. Row 2: Denise Herbers, Amy Donald, Carrie Raleigh, Stefanie Meyer, Angela Wonderly, Rita DeSignore and Jeanne Swarnes. Back Row: Nancy Zelfi, Geri Jennings, Craig Schieber, Devin Warrington, Ashley Wilson, Cindy Kenkel, Julie Kennedy and Sinan Atahan



Rebecca Rice, Elem. Ed
Brittany Richardson, Elem. Ed
Anne Riney, Secondary Math Education
Brenda Rutland, Ed./Family Mgmt.
Kornel Romada, Advertising
Dave Rowley, Agricultural Science
Jennifer Rule, Org. Comm.
Bernadette Russ, Therapeutic Recreation

David Ruzicka, Horticulture
Andrea Sacco, Business Management
Jacshelle Sasser, Org. Communication
Dwayne Saucier, Finance
Danielle Saunders, English/Journalism
Lynette Schaffner, Marketing/Management
Angela Schermer, Agricultural Science
Jubilee Schley, Business Education

Julie Schmitter, Merchandising
Max Schneider, Finance
Paulette Schoessler, Therapeutic Recreation
Craig Schieber, Computer Management
Shane Schullerberg, Broadcasting
Dena Schroeder, Psychology
Robert Schuett, Computer Mgmt. Sys.
Lara Schulenberg, English





Hypnotic State

In a hypnotized state, Keith Guilford believes he is drinking out of a glass, during Hypnotist Dr. Jim Wand's act. Wand visited the campus during Advantage 1998. *Photo by Rhonda Rushton*

Delta Tau Alpha

- Participated in agriculture day

Front Row: Crystal Melcher and Alicia Fagg. Row 2: Beth Collins, Courtney Burgert and Josh Wall. Back Row: Colin Johnson, Bill Lymer, Kari Eck and Brian Hopf.



Dieterich Hall Council

- First year as coed hall
- Held coed naked sleep over
- Sponsored 80s dance

Front Row: Heidi Hester, Melissa Breazile, LJ Hoppe and Ryan Gove. Row 2: Jeff Geib, Jessica Corbett, Robert Owen and Brian Hopf. Row 3: Marcus Marine, Shawn Sandell, Joe Alley, Joshua Updike and Michael Head. Back Row: Adrian Jones, Devin Skillman, Michael Durbin and Jacob Reeser.



Fellowship of Christian Athletes

- Met weekly for worship

Front Row: Jennifer Vaughan, Sarah Comfort, Kathy Farmer, Marianne Meinke, Jennifer Hayes and Katie Spiguzza. Row 2: Jenni Newell, Holly Stevens, Marianne Maynard, Rachel House, Marsha Cox, Becky Weeder and Sue Scholten. Row 3: Julie McCrary, Andrea Pinzino, Lori Ficken, Marie Allen, Amber Gaddis, Ricci Miller and Laura Hampton. Back Row: Suzanne Von Behren, Derek Helwig, Patrick Rice, Matthew Staub, Ryan Carey, Michael Larsen and Matt Sandberg.



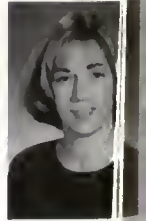
Heidi Schultz, Accounting
Jessica Schuning, Child/Family Studies
Amy Scoles, English
Angela Scott, Middle School Education
Ahmet Selimata, International Business
Robin Shaffer, Sociology
Carissa Shain, Pre-Professional Zoology
Bonnie Shankle, Geography



Erika Sharp, Business Mgmt./Marketing
Kyle Sheetz, Unified Science/Chemistry
Kazuhiko Shimada, Pre-Prof. Zoology
Jennifer Simler, Journalism
Angela Skahill, Speech/Theatre Education
Michael Skinner, Computer Science
Jarusha Sluss, Middle School
Tiffanie Sly, Business Management



Adam Smith, History
Amy Smith, Journalism
Garrick Smith, Computer Management
Jeffrey Smith, Physical Education
Kimberly Smith, Psychology
Rowdy Smith, Public Accounting
Sarah Smith, Geography
Brooke Snodderley, Agricultural Business



Growing up is hard to do

by Eric Davis



In four years at Northwest Amy Allen did a lot of growing up. However, at 22, Allen felt she was still just a child.

"I was better organized," Allen said. "I learned how to manage my time much better. I also gained more confidence. In high school I was not very involved. In college I got involved very quickly. That taught me to be more outgoing."

Allen was a member of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority. It proved to be a positive experience for her.

"It helped me grow up," Allen said. "I learned how to set and achieve goals. I also made a lot of friends."

Allen served as president for Pi Omega Pi, a business fraternity, and was a member of the track team for four years. She ran the 100 and 200 yard dashes. One of her biggest thrills came in 1998. Her 400 and 800 relay team qualified for nationals. It was the last meet for Allen.



"We thought we did well," Allen said. "But we did not know if we were qualified. After the scores went up, everyone was so excited. It felt amazing. All of the hard work paid off."

Allen said the best thing about track was the friends she made.

"We went to Texas and Florida for spring break," Allen said. "That was great. We ran meets and hung out on the beach afterwards. We really bonded. I made some great friendships."

Allen was also the track team's representative for M-Club, a group designed to uphold excellence in the University's athletics.

Allen was proud that she was the first woman in her family to earn a college degree and could not have done it without her family.

"My mom and dad were very supportive," Allen said. "They were always there for me. My family was very important to me. I was very close to my siblings, Austin and Angie."

Allen went to Spain in July with her brother and sister.

"We stayed for 12 days," Allen said. "That was the perfect opportunity to go. I was not held down by my job or anything. It was great spending all that time with them."

Allen envisioned a career in education. She planned to teach middle school in her hometown of Des Moines, Iowa. Allen anticipated marrying and raising children. Getting her doctorate was also a long term goal.

Allen had no regrets and it was clear she had come a long way in

her four years at the University.

A MEMBER OF the track team for four years and track representative for M-Club, Amy Allen placed much importance on her skill. At Allen's last meet, Northwest qualified for nationals. *Portrait by Jason Myers*



Kimberly Snodgrass, Elem Ed
Lori Snodgrass, Accounting/Finance
Carson Spegal, Social Criminal Justice
Michael Spriggs, Geography
Kathe Stewart, Broadcasting
Kurtis Stewart, Government
Denise Stoppelmoor, Elem Ed
David Straub, Computer Mgmt Systems

Dawn Stritzel, Elem Ed
Michael Strong, Geography
Jennifer Sullivan, Middle School Ed
Corey Sweat, Environmental Geology
Chris Symington, Secondary Education
Jason Tarwater, Broadcasting
Ebru Temel, Business Management
Aimee Teschner, Accounting

Lesley Thacker, English/Philosophy
Wilhelmina Thomas, Business Mgmt
Scott Thompson, Broadcasting
Amy Thornburg, Sociology
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Music

plays instrumental role in life

by Michelle Krambeck

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Vocal music students spent a lot of time in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building. When Kimberly Eilers came to Northwest, she expected to spend hours working to perfect her instrumental and vocal music skills. But to her, it was not a chore. It was exactly where she had always wanted to be, doing exactly what she wanted to do.

Eilers, a music education major from Okoboji, Iowa, started playing the clarinet when she was in fifth grade and switched to the bass clarinet as she developed her musical skills.

"I would most definitely play it for the rest of my life," Eilers said.

Eilers took classes for Wind Symphony and University Chorale. She also spent over an hour each day practicing for the Bearcat Marching band.

"I could not wait until marching was over," she said. "It took up so much time."

However, Eilers knew her major and her passion would continue to take up more time as she got more involved.

She planned on getting involved in vocal music as a sophomore. She hoped to one day be involved in Northwest Celebration, the Yuletide Feast and other shows.

The prospect of investing large amounts of time did not intimidate Eilers. She loved what she was doing and the people at Northwest.

"There were a lot of nice people in the music department," Eilers said. "It was like one big happy family. It was not upperclassmen and then the freshmen. Everyone was just a person."

Eilers was willing to put in the time and energy to teach either high school or elementary band. Her reason was simple.

"It was what I had always wanted to do," Eilers said.

Eilers hoped to one day become an instrumental music instructor for elementary or high school students. She planned to stay involved with music herself. She never intended to stop playing or improving her skills.

BEARCAT MARCHING BAND member Kimberly Eilers marches around the track before the University of Nebraska-Omaha football game. Eilers was involved in several music programs including Wind Symphony and Univeristy Chorale. *Photo by Mike Ransdell*



Erin Tuttle, Merchandising
Landi VanAhn, Physical Education
Jaime Vanbelkum, Animal Science
Sabrina VanBuskirk, Elem. Ed.
Beth Vanderau, Elem. Ed.
Brandy Vandiver, Computer Management
Chris Veatch, Agricultural Business
Susan Vincent, Animal Science

Olivia Waldbillig, Corporate Recreation
Jeremy Walker, Geography
James Walkup, Animal Science
Josh Wall, Agricultural Business
Heather Ward, Marketing/Management
Devin Warrington, Computer Management
Jennifer Weipert, History
Jamie Welch, Music Education

Eric Wentzel
Katherine Weymuth, Elem. Ed.
Heather White, Elem. Ed.
Jeremy White, Geology
Mindy White, Political Science
Angela Wiederholt, Elem. Ed.
Kristi Wiedersheim, Child/Family Studies
Sarah Wieland, Art/Art Education





Fellowship of Christian Athletes Sophmores, Juniors & Seniors

•Met weekly for worship

Front Row: Jess Lyons, Jaime Isom, Karen Barnmann, Angela Smith, Nicole Zbylut, Andrea Sacco and Sara Azdell. Row 2: Leigh Meyer, Hilari Johansen, Andrea Schieber, Megan Coleman, Carrie Mace, Jessica Tesmer, Jennifer Taltys, JoEllen Hancock, Marianne Stone and Corey Potts. Row 3: Kristina Wilburn, Justin Berger, Lynsi Rahorst, Natalie Anne Wilson, Michael Helling, J.D. Smither, Chris Higgs, Sara Bunch, Jenny Reynolds and Stefanie Meyer. Back Row: Nicholas Drake, Ian Churchill, John Washer, Matt Mallicoat, Jamin Howell, George Gordon, Josh Norris, Dan Messer, Garrick Mueller and Jay Willis.



Fellowship of the Tower Gaming Society

•Involved in playing and running assortment of games

Front Row: Brian Campbell, David Tilley and Philip Baldwin. Row 2: Melissa Marr, John Edwards, Nick Rager, John Malewski and Jeremy Viles. Back Row: Harold Spangler, Joe Belanger II, Nathan Meyer and Mike Dale.



Financial Management Association

•Sponsored annual book sale and pumpkin challenge

Front Row: Lori Snodgrass, Stephanie Galloway, Julie Bookless and Crystal Houk. Back Row: Derrick Griffin, Max Schneider, Stefanie Meyer, Destiny Hamilton and Bethany Hutschreider.



Jaamee Williams, Elem. Ed./LD
Melissa Williams, Comp. Psyc/Soc
Jay Willis, Psychology
Colin Willis, Geography
Nelson Willoughby, Geography
Chet Wilmes, Broadcasting
Scott Wilson, Recreation
Jeffrey Wingo, Computer Science

Angela Winholtz, Art
Jeanette Wisdom, Psychology
Mark Wise, Animal Science
Jessica Witt, Geology/Geography
Tiffany Wolf, Elem. Ed.
Angela Wonderly, Accounting
Joella Wonderly, Business Mgmt
Robbyn Wright, Physical Education

Levi Wyant, Org. Communications
Toru Yamauchi, Journalism/Government
Emily Yancey, Elem. Ed.
Chika Yano, Business Management
Manabu Yatabe, Mathematics
Christopher Zeller, Computer Mgmt. Sys.
Emre Zengilli, Entrepreneurship
Jean Zimmer, Corporate Fitness

Activities

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by Derek McDermott

Because her family moved around so often during her life, Sarah Hambrecht attended several different schools. However, that all changed when she got to college. When she found Northwest, she was here to stay.

Hambrecht, a junior, was a public relations major. She was interested in the field of public relations because of the variety of opportunities it provided for her future.

"I liked public relations because I knew it was a broad field, and if I did not know for sure what I wanted to do when I graduated, I would have had several choices available," Hambrecht said.

Hambrecht hoped to work overseas or in New York City for a non-profit organization.

"I would have loved to work in New York City because I loved the town and my brother Patrick lived there, and I could have seen him," Hambrecht said.

Hambrecht resided in Roberta Hall and was president of Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority. Even with the tough workload that came with being a public relations major and the president of a sorority, Hambrecht still found time to participate in several campus organizations.

Hambrecht worked as a student ambassador, an advertising sales representative for the *Northwest Missourian*, a member of Tower Choir, a member of several honor societies and was in the Public Relations Student Society of America.

With all these activities, Hambrecht still found time to have fun with her friends. On the weekends she enjoyed dancing, attending parties, sleeping and going to sporting events.

Some of Hambrecht's other interests included singing, reading, water activities and traveling. She also loved listening to big band music and watching movies.

"I liked watching all kinds of movies, but especially movies with Bill Murray in them," Hambrecht said. "He was the greatest."

Hambrecht's future was still up in the air as far as what she wanted to do when she graduated.

In the future, Hambrecht hoped to be able to balance having a family along with holding a successful career.

PRESIDENT OF ALPHA Sigma Alpha Sarah Hambrecht was a public relations major. She was a student ambassador, member of Tower Choir and member of several honor societies as well. *Portrait by Sarah Phipps*



Undergraduates

Abdul-Kaba Abdullah
Leslie Abercrombie
Amy Abplanalp
Shenaz Abreo
Robert Ahlrichs
Neal Aiken
Jake Akehurst
Beverly Akin

Kevin Aldred
Lori Alexander
Megan Allbaugh
Marie Allen
Tommi Allen
Jennifer Allevin
Trevor Allison
Yasene Almuttar

Nicole Andersen
JoyLynn Anderson
Kirsten Anderzhon
Tracey Arner
Matthew Armstrong
Shelia Arnold
David Ashbrook
Melissa Auwarter





Franken Hall Council

- Governing body of Franken Hall
- Upperclassmen residence hall
- Provided programs, recreation and academic assistance for residents

Front Row: Tammy Peden, Tammi Hancock, Lora Hardin, Shay Linahon, Teresa Parvin and Andrew Saeger. Back Row: Jason Gibson, Bill Terry, Seant Griffin, Melissa Gilkison and Mark Blain.



Gamma Theta Upsilon

- Strived to promote Geography as a profession
- Celebrated Geography Awareness Week

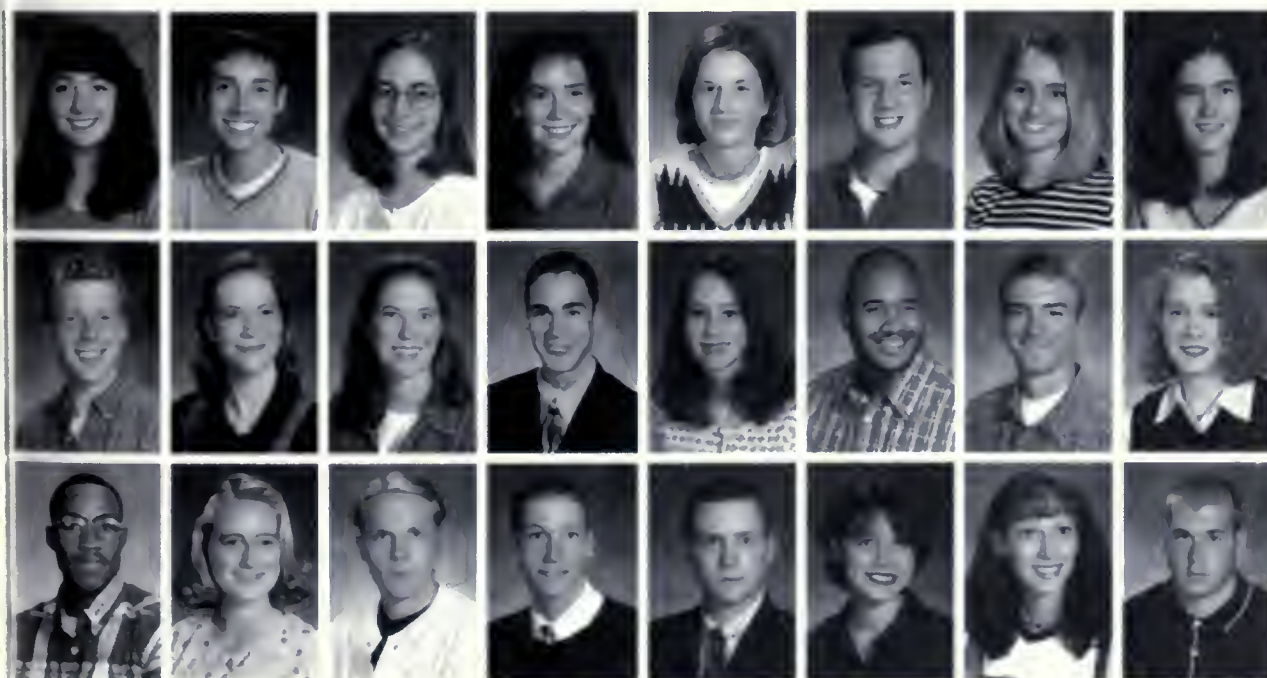
Front Row: Angela Mittan, Jill Maeder, Sharmi Farmer, Mawi Farmer and Jessica Witt. Row 2: Dr. Charles Dodds, Terri Woodburn, Jordan Monroe, Jen Ensley and Michael Spriggs. Back Row: Jason Boyer, Jeremy Walker, Jenny DeBuhr, Spencer Barr and Gregory Haddock.



Heartland View Magazine

- All-American magazine as awarded by Associated Collegiate Press
- Four-state travel and leisure magazine that covered Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas
- On-line at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/Heartland/>

Front Row: Kelsey Lowe, Craig Piburn, Anne McCarthy and Marjie Kosman. Back Row: Jackie Tegen, Kyle Niemann, Becky Miller, Dan Hernandez, Kristi Coan, Leah Byrn and Katie Wahlert.



Enn Avery
Daniel Ayala
Jenny Backman
Debbie Bacon
Sarah Baier
Danny Baker
Enka Baker
Jenny Baker

Jon Baker
Stephanie Baker
Lisa Bangerter
Chris Banks
Lori Barnett
Ray Barrett
Robert Barron
Elizabeth Bartoski

Tyrone Bates
Joanna Bayer
Kyle Beane
Sean Beard
Alex Beatty
Chrissy Beck
Monica Beck
Daniel Becker

Hispanic American Leadership Organization

- Promoted Hispanic culture at Northwest
- Attended Fiesta Hispana in Kansas City, Mo.
- Hosted annual Cinco de Mayo fund raising dinner

Front Row: Rosanna Munoz, Magdaelena Garcia, Marisa Lux and Susan Garrett. Row 2: Claudia Maria Molina, Irene Zamarripa, Yasmin Bermudez and Kelly Rath. Back Row: Dr. Alejandro Ching, Steven Salcedo and Dan Ayala.



Horticulture Club

- Sponsored three plant sales
- Took yearly trips
- Maintained a greenhouse on campus

Front Row: Ben Savage, Lori Patton and Dr. Alex Ching. Row 2: Dixie DeLee, Jenny Baker, Laura Campbell and Carol LaFaver. Back Row: Devin Skillman, Jeff Goettemoeller, Dave Ruzicka and John Ferrell.



HPERD Club

- Sponsored career day and health awareness day
- Ushered Bearcat basketball games
- Volunteered for Special Olympics

Front Row: Leslie Dickherber, Lisa Moran, Melissa Robnett and Julie Norlen. Row 2: Laura Hampton, Christa Weinand, Lisa Hull and Chad Holmes. Back Row: Rodney Keuck, Russell Eich and Bill Eckles.



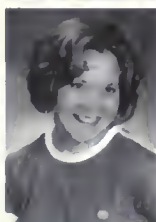
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Mary Sue Berte
Julie Bever
Gwen Beyer
Danielle Bice
Cody Bird



Stacey Birkley
Ruth Biswell
Melissa Bitter
Devon Black
Nichole Blanchard
Melanie Blando
Becky Blocher
Ellen Bluml



Inventor finds home at Northwest

by Matthew Pearl

new perspective
ON CD-ROM

Splitting his time between his love for the outdoors, a steady job, the rigors of studying to be a teacher and even inventing, **Trevor Ballard** lead a life that most would have considered busy.

Ballard, a junior who was raised in the Kansas City, Mo., area, said his desire to live in a rural area was instrumental in his decision to pursue his education at Northwest.

"Because of the small-town environment, proximity to metro areas and the fact that Northwest was a 'teacher's college,' Maryville just seemed like the right choice," Ballard said.

Besides pursuing a degree in agricultural education, he had a great love of hunting, fishing and any activity that could rescue him from the confines of a stuffy room and take him to the great outdoors.

"Hunting and fishing had always been my two favorite things to

do," Ballard said. "I also occasionally would go mountain biking or skiing."

Learning about the outdoors was something he started early. At the age of 14, he was granted a U.S. patent for a fishing lure he developed himself.

"In the summer, I used to fish every day as a kid," Ballard said. "One day it was raining, so I spent several hours just working on a new lure."

Two years later, Ballard developed a prototype of the item, which mimicked live bait with a spring-loaded hook and what he called "Real-Feel Technology," which felt like real skin and muscle.

Ballard sought the assistance of a family member who happened to be a patent attorney. The money he received from year to year for

his product was not much, but the achievement was its own reward.

"I really only made enough money to cover the expense of making the lure," Ballard said. "My real goal was just to develop a way to catch larger fish on smaller tackle. I did just that."

Ballard enjoyed his years at Northwest and armed with simple dreams and aspirations, Ballard moved persistently toward his goal of being an agriculture educator.

AT THE MARYVILLE Wal-Mart, Trevor Ballard assists a customer with a gun sale. Ballard, who worked in the sports department, was an avid fisherman who invented his own fishing lure. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Julie Bluml
Amy Blunk
Travis Bochart
Mollie Bochner
Patrick Boes
Ruthann Boettger
Kelsi Bogdansk
Sarah Bohl

Bridget Bolin
Chris Bolinger
Stephanie Bolton
Jennifer Bonnett
Juha Bookless
Brian Boone
Jamie Borsh
Jamie Bossert

Alina Bostic
Sharon Boswell
Tabitha Botz
Angie Bowman
Jennifer Boyer
Heather Boyle
Audra Brackey
Lonnie Bradford

EVIL
**TACO
BELL!**



Sinfonia Spirit

At the Variety Show, the men of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia sing their own version of the Taco Bell song. Phi Mu and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia took first place and won the People's Choice award for their skit, "Bobby Bearcat's Day Off."

Photo by Sarah Phipps



Aspirations

and sports produce dreams

by Debbie Bacon

different perspective
more coverage
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A lover of sports and coaching, **Tim Conn** was new to the Northwest campus. Conn was a freshman who commuted from Burlington Junction, Mo.

Conn said the location of Northwest was one of the main reasons he chose the school. Living only 15 miles away from campus meant Conn was familiar with campus and the area.

"I did not want to go somewhere where I was not familiar with the surroundings," Conn said.

Conn chose to major in physical education because he wanted to be a coach.

"I wanted to be a coach and usually, but not always, coaches had physical education degrees," Conn said.

Conn said his involvement in athletics got him interested in coaching. No particular person influenced his decision to pursue coaching. He did not look to any role models in the profession. His pure love of sports brought him to his decision.

Conn wanted to coach football, but said he would be happy coaching any sport he understood. Conn was a football player himself for five years, three of which were in high school. Along with playing the game, Conn had some football coaching experience.

Early in the year, he was an assistant football coach at West Nodaway High School.

In addition, Conn said he enjoyed watching and helping his younger brothers play football.

When Conn was not on the sidelines or in the action playing football, one found him watching football on television. His favorite team was the Kansas City Chiefs.

Conn also enjoyed reading any sports page or magazine he could get his hands on. He admitted he did not have a favorite sports source. He often referred to the Internet to get updated information on teams, players, statistics and scores.

"I pretty much based my life on sports," Conn said.

In 10 years, Conn saw himself coaching, preferably an eight-man football team, and married.

While Conn did not have a role model figure in his life that was a coach, perhaps he would be one someday.

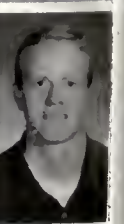
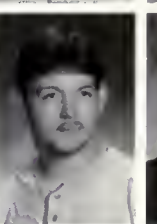
AT HIS HOME in Burlington Junction, Mo., Tim Conn watches "Romeo and Juliet" with his friends. Aside from watching movies, Conn was interested in sports and hoped to one day be a football coach. *Photo by Amy Roh*



Ann Brady
Jonathan Brancato
Shaun Branham
Jennifer Brannen
Jo Brassfield
Melissa Breazile
Jin Brennan
Raymond Brenner



Nicole Bresley
Katherine Bressman
Alisha Bretz
Pamela Brewster
Megan Brickman
Jeffrey Briggs
Matthew Bright
John Brimer



Jennifer Brincks
Jamie Britz
Megan Brixey
Amy Brockman
Mikaela Brooke
Heather Bross
Chad Brown
Chantz Brown





Hudson Hall Council

•Sponsored trick-or-treating for Halloween

Front Row: Ian Carle, Jessica Tesmer, Amy Jesse, Tamara Wallace, Jennifer Bonnett and Mark Murray Row 2: Stacie McLaughlin, JoEllen Hancock, Jennifer Faltys, Laura McCormick, Jamie Britz, Meena Iwing, Anne McCarthy, Jodi Coles, Lori King and Kelsey Lowe Row 3: Sarah Coan, Vena Meyers, Catherine Hamlin, Nathan Slevster, Danielle Saunders, Kari Sperber, Becky Dahlke, Cathy Fleak and Tamika Guinn Back Row: Jacob Kendrick, Ryan Sorge, Bryan Tolbert, Tim Correll, Shawn Emerson, Chris Ebrecht and Chris Eckert



Interfraternity Council Executive

•Participated in Homecoming
•Helped with Greek Week

Front Row: Justin Engelhardt and Ryan Gillis Back Row: Chad Belfield, Dave Ruzicka and Chris Norman



Interfraternity Council Delegates

•Worked in connection with various philanthropies
•Active in Rush

Front Row: Justin Engelhardt, Ryan Gillis, Casey Beane, Chris Zaner and Thomas Cooper Row 2: Bill McElheny, Chad Belfield, Bryan Severin, Chris Norman and Eric Zinnert Back Row: Ryan Kinsella, Jason Taylor, Dave Ruzicka, Neal Aiken, Ben Sumrall and Bill Koile



Dana Brown
Matthew Brownsberger
Aaron Brunson
Chris Buhman
Keri Bunman
Sara Bunch
Brylie Burch
Timothy Burdge

Courtney Burgert
Adam Burke
Kimberly Burkemper
Steph Burkett
Tiffany Burnes
Megan Burnett
Michael Burney
Jaqueline Burrows

Justin Burton
Heather Byrom
Julie Cadam
Daniel Cady
Sherrie Callaway
Caroline Cameron
Brian Campbell
Kristen Campbell

curiosity promotes awareness

by Lisa Huse

A member of International Student Organization for four years, Toru Yamauchi watched the group evolve and grow. As president, he devoted the year to promoting ISO and other cultures.

Yamauchi moved to Northwest from Hamamatsu, Japan. ISO welcomed members from all countries and sponsored programs to celebrate and educate about their differences.

Yamauchi joined ISO his freshman year, but was not an active member until an American student, Renee Bergene, motivated him to get more involved. Yamauchi made it his goal to encourage others to get involved, like Bergene had done for him.

The first plan to improve publicity was to get more participation for annual projects, such as the Annual International Dinner Show. In recent years Yamauchi saw student interest in the dinner grow from selling 150 tickets his first year, to selling all 300 tickets for the 1998 dinner.

"I thought (the international dinner) had a big impact on this campus and community," Yamauchi said. "But I did not think it was enough. I mean the dinner was only one day, and we wanted to make ourselves visible to all 6,000 students and the 10,000 people living in the community."

With this in mind, part two of the plan to improve publicity came into play. ISO incorporated new projects like public presentations about different countries and their cultures.

The opening of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza also helped encourage students to learn about different cultures, Yamauchi said.

"I wanted (the plaza opening) to be a step to get more American students into trying to get to know about other countries because otherwise, it was just a \$400,000 waste of money," Yamauchi said.

Yamauchi's work with ISO helped raise group awareness to a new level and encouraged students to learn about the diversity that could be found in the cultures of the people around them.

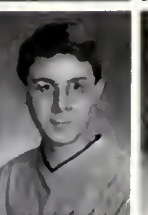
PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL Student Organization, Toru Yamauchi speaks at the dedication of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza. ISO raised international awareness in Maryville. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



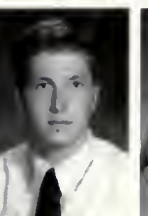
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Corey Casey



Lori Casey
Kelly Cassell
Laura Chamberlain
John Chambers
Wee-Lee Chan
Melissa Checksfield
Charles Childers
Charity Christofferson
Nichole Ciro
Jill Citta





International Reading Association

- Promoted literacy worldwide
- Supported teacher training in the Philippines
- Worked with the Horace Mann students and planned special activities with them

Front Row: Pat Thompson, Jennifer Jensen and Nicki Pebley
Back Row: Cindy Carrigan, Carrie Elliott, Kristi Niklasen, Stefanie Rennie and Ellen Blum



International Student Organization

- Shared cultures with others through programs, visits and displays
- Provided scholarships for international students
- Coordinated the International Dinner and Show

Front Row: Yumiko Kabashima, Julie Hackney, Vernie Greenaway, Jumana Mohd Nor, Deepti Choudhary, Aya Takahashi, Kaori Nagai and Meredith White. Row 2: Munaba Nasiro, Yuce Aganoglu, Cari Cameron, Jennifer Bonnett, Marianne Maynard, Esther Winter and Nancy Hardee. Row 3: Toru Yamauchi, Danielle Saunders, Cathy Fleak, Saja Raoof, Tamika Gunn, Tina Cummings and Misty Durham. Back Row: Ben Walker, Yasuhiro Yano, Nikos Apostolopoulos, Seon Ahn, Sung-jin Ahn, Charles Seetin and Nitin Gail.



Kappa Delta Pi

- An honor society for education majors
- Met with a panel of principals

Front Row: Teresa Ganger, Dr. Margaret Drew and Kate Carrel. Back Row: Catrina Hintz, Amy Bunch, Christy Lyda and Curt Friedel.



Kappa Kappa Psi

- Provided services to all University bands

Front Row: Brian Clark, Kristen Sprague, Jackie Six, Genevieve Shockley, Amber Van Wyk, Dan Barnett, Mona Killian, Stefanie Meyer and Alan Hutchcraft. Row 2: Melissa Auwarter, Jacque Kiger, Kourtney Strade, Amanda Buttler, Sarah Ehly, Scott Evans, Kate Dooley, Bonnie Steen, Shannon Touney, Stacy Taylor, Matthew Tapp and Camilla Geuy. Row 3: Tawna Bush, Greg Howdeshell, John Kizilarmut, Jennifer Grass, Christie Eagan, Celinda Cox, Julie Dake, Shana Duff, Suzanne McBain, Gavin Lendt and Sam Henson. Back Row: Ralph Hailey III, Al Sergel, Jamin Howell, Sheri Skeens, John Bowen, Mike McBain, Alex Dyer, Jim Beerends, Shena Grenier, Chrisman Kalkwarf, Ryan Whiting and Brian Lendt.





WHILE PEGGY PURDY finishes payroll, Kristy Purdy checks alumni addresses. The Alumni House took part in "Bearcat Pride Day" in which all of Northwest was to wear their Northwest attire in honor of the playoff game the next day. *Photo by Amy Roh*



STUDENT WORKER **BRAD** Harden asks Peggy Purdy about an address. Purdy was in charge of development for the Alumni House. *Photo by Amy Roh*





AT HER DESK, Peggy Purdy gives her daughter Kristy Purdy another task. Kristy worked a few hours a week with her mother for extra money.

Photo by Amy Roh

24 HOURS Alumni House

Keeping track of where alumni from Northwest had moved was just one of the many jobs the employees at the Alumni House were responsible for.

The Alumni House was also responsible for publicizing the University through advertisements and word of mouth. The Alumni House produced an Alumni Magazine quarterly. The magazine was for and about the alumni family and a way for Northwest to keep alumni updated on events and happenings on the Northwest campus.



WITH PREPARATIONS FOR the next day's pregame festivities completed, Jim Moore gets

ready to leave. The next day, festivities for the Bearcat football playoff game against the University of Nebraska-Omaha took place. Photo by Amy Roh





BEARCAT SWEETHEARTS HELP

organize a Pancake breakfast before a football game. The Alumni House and Sweethearts routinely held tailgate parties together. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



AFTER THE NORTHWEST

football game, Tim Hensen cuts down a Christmas tree to fit inside the Alumni House. The Alumni House was a central location for alumni upon returning to Northwest. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



BEARCAT SWEETHEART CINDY

Carrigan calls out numbers for prizes at the Alumni House tailgate before the University of Nebraska-Omaha football game. Prizes offered were Northwest T-shirts. *Photo by Amy Roh*





24 HOURS Alumni House

Planning events was another role the Alumni House played in promoting Northwest.

The Alumni House hosted a pancake breakfast the morning of the Bearcat football game against the University of Nebraska-Omaha. Northwest had a significant number of alumni in Omaha and wanted to do something nice for them when they came down for the game. The Alumni House also sponsored a barbecue at the Aug. 20 Kansas City Chiefs preseason game.



IN FRONT OF the Alumni House, Jim Moore, director/development University advancement, talks with R. Joe Smith, a 1967 graduate and his wife Nancy. The Alumni House took advantage of events such as football games for alumni to get together in Maryville.
Photo by Amy Roh

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Kappa Omicon Nu

- Honor Society for Human Environmental Sciences
- Gave two to four scholarships
- Members were in the upper 25 percent of class or had 3.2 grade point average

Front Row: Erin Tuttle, Shannon Mayo and Julie Hackney.
Back Row: Rory Frisbie, Kristi Wiederstein, Heather Hall and Amber Holman.



KDLX Radio

- Presented Fall Freeze and Spring Thaw
- Hosted Jock-A-Thon

Front Row: Nicole Fuller, Kim Kajok and Tracy Carey. Row 2: Wendy Broker, Jon Going, Kent Ruehter, Brian Campbell and Scott Jones. Back Row: Jeff Marshall, LeRon Ford, Mark Reed and Joe Cox.



Koncerned Individuals Dedicated to Students Freshmen

- A Big Brother/Big Sister Program
- Provided a fun and educational environment for the children

Front Row: Angela Mason, Melanie Blando, Cassia Kite, Marianne Meinke and Amy Nelson. Row 2: Jenny Curtis, Marsha Cox, Lindsay Lund, Brooke Hogan, Elizabeth Zinke, Ann Harman and Jenny Wiederholt. Row 3: Summer Hubbard, Jill Hoggatt, Jacqueline Ismert, Stephanie Hylton, Heidi Hester, Shelley Pruitt, Lindsay Jilka and Megan Uthe. Back Row: Dena Hotmer, Adam Nelson, Chris Bolinger, Dan Scott, Patrick Rice, Trevor Allison, David Smith and Darbie Valenti.



Jane Clark
Jennifer Clark
Les Clark
Stephanie Clarkin
Carrie Cleland
Alyna Clemmons
Carie Coan
Sarah Coan



Tonya Coffelt
Jenny Coffey
John Coffey
Ben Coffman
Kerri Coffman
Megan Coleman
Jodi Coles
Katie Colle



Brandi Collins
Josh Combs
Sarah Comfort
Cara Comstock
Julie Coney
Robert Conley
Marisa Conroy
Rebecca Conway





Future

veterinarian prevails over turmoil

by Eric Davis

Exclusive
ON CD-ROM

Under trying circumstances, some people would have buckled; David Hargrove grew stronger.

His father left when Hargrove was young. The last time Hargrove attempted contact with his father was in the early 1990s, when Hargrove wrote him a letter. His father never contacted him. However, Hargrove said he would not have changed his relationship with his father.

"I was content with the way things turned out," Hargrove said. "If he had been there, things could have been better or, maybe, worse."

Although he lacked a father figure, Hargrove's mother, Teresa Shireman, was very influential in his life. She too grew up in family turmoil. And, like Hargrove, she succeeded. Hargrove grew to appreciate what his mother did for him.

"In college you had to take responsibility," Hargrove said. "You did not have any family to pay your bills or help you out."

Although he was involved in many activities, Hargrove kept a firm grip on his studies.

It was no surprise Hargrove pursued a degree in zoology. As a child, his house was filled with pets of all kinds. Throughout his youth, he did well in school, but he especially enjoyed learning about animals.

"Animals were so dynamic," Hargrove said. "Each one was different. They thought, lived and moved on their own. I always had an extreme curiosity about them."

Hargrove was optimistic about the future. He envisioned himself as a veterinarian in a private firm.

Though he was looking forward, Hargrove never forgot the past. Unlike many in his situation, he did not concentrate on the negatives of his youth.

"It made me who I am today," Hargrove said.

AT THE SHINDIGG, David Hargrove and Caroline Cameron dance to the country music. Hargrove often went to the Shindigg, an event which the group Country Faith sponsored on Thursday evenings. *Photo by Jason Myers*

Although his life had not been picture perfect, Hargrove felt the end justified the means.



Jonathan Cook
Andrea Cooper
Valerie Cooper
Jessica Corbett
Sara Cornwell
Cara Corum
Erin Coulter
Katharine Counter

Marsha Cox
Rachel Cox
Laura Craft
Melissa Cram
Christina Cranmer
Nathan Crawford
Elizabeth Crow
Kenneth Crowder

Elizabeth Crownover
Samuel Crust
Kisha Cummings
Tina Cummings
Michelle Cunningham
Justin Curry
Jenny Curtis
Kristi Cutsinger

Friendly

environment created

by Stephanie Zeilstra

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Creating a family atmosphere in the residence halls was not as easy as it sounded.

Jessica Vochatzer, from Smithville, Mo., enjoyed being a resident assistant on the seventh floor of Millikan Hall.

"They really respected me, and that made things fun," Vochatzer said. "They always liked having planned activities together."

Her decision to become an RA stemmed from her desire to become more involved on campus. She lived in Hudson Hall her freshman year and became involved in hall council.

"Some of my goals when I wanted to become an RA were to assist and help achieve a better living environment," Vochatzer said. "I also wanted to develop a closer, tight community on the floor."

Vochatzer concluded that she achieved her goal from the way the residents treated her.

"To this day, they still wanted to do things together," Vochatzer said. "They would go eat a lot of times together. We would all play card games together and just hung out together a lot. I was not expecting that at all when I first became an RA."

Vochatzer had 48 girls on her floor, and 44 of those were freshmen. She said they all developed close ties during freshmen orientation.

Being an RA took up a lot of time, Vochatzer said, and she did not have much free time. She wished she had more opportunities to visit her family in Smithville. She said her family was very close.

"For me for example, I had a unique relationship with my mother and I also had special ties with my aunts and uncles," Vochatzer said. "My mother worked really hard at making sure we were a close family. We went on vacations together, including my grandparents."

Between her duties as an RA and carrying a course load of 18 hours, Vochatzer kept busy but learned to balance her time.

DESK ASSISTANT JESSICA Vochatzer answers phones, resident's questions and tends to printed material while on duty. Desk assistants were employed in each resident hall.
Photo by Jason Myers



Jennifer Daake
Jessica Dahl
Rebecca Dahlke
Justin Dammann
Lesley Daniel
Troy Dargin
Jill Dauner
Amanda Davis



Ashley Davis
Brad Davis
Donna Davis
LaTonya Davis
Monica Davis
Ryan Deal
Cynthia Deaver
Jonathan Dees



Melissa Defenhaugh
Elisa Delchant
Matthew Demoss
Jamey Dedrickson
Dakota Derr
Troy Dickbernd
Joshua Dickerson
Sara Dieleman





Concerned Individuals Dedicated to Students Freshmen

•Held a get together monthly where all children and sponsors met

Front Row: Amanda Hocker, Jennifer Vaughan and Tiffany Burnes. Row 2: Kara Rollins, Jodi Coles, Abbey Stone, Lori King, Tamara Wallace, Melissa Moody and Cindy Roberts. Row 3: Beth Fajen, Kara Mustain, Kara Lance, Andrea Pinzino, Keri Buman and Ashley Davis. Back Row: Melynda Reeter, Tiffany Spaulding, Stacy Farmer, Aaron Hackmann, Beth Rasmussen, Nicole Mortensen and Christie Miller.



Concerned Individuals Dedicated to Students Upper Classmen

•Provided interaction between college students and area children

Front Row: Andrea Schieber, Jill Kreisler, Andrea Giesken and Jamie Britz. Row 2: Rachel Cox, Donna Shubkagel, Kim Kajok, Heather Byrom and Buffy Bird. Row 3: Ginny Seel, Cathy Fleak, Tamika Guinn, Kelly Ramsey and Vanessa Goodale. Back Row: Jennifer Bonnett, Tina Cummings, Tracy Young and Misty Masters.



KNWT-TV8

•Broadcasted and Produced Vinci Academy Awards
•Aired Thursday night MIAA football games

Front Row: Paige Ghadden, Stephanie Richard, Meg Barnes and Tina Bullock. Row 2: Kathe Stewart, Hilane Jezik, Erika Niermeyer and Leah Byrn. Back Row: Scott Jones, Nicholas Drake, Megan Wilkerson and Kaley Hutchison.



Nicole Dierksen
Elizabeth Dilges
Thad Dixon
Andrae Dobbins
Steven Dobisch
Katherine Dockus
Regan Dodd
Christopher Doering

Brian Dorn
Lennie Dorsey
Emily Dotson
Kari Douglas
Stacie Dowell
Daniel Dozar
Nicholas Drake
Karman Drees

Ryan Drees
Heather Dunker
Joshua Dunlap
Kendra Dunlap
Trina Dunn
Angie Dunnaway
Meghan Dunning
Tim Durbin



Goal Post Glory

Bearcat fans mob the field to tear down the goal posts after the Bearcats defeat Texas A&M-Kingsville in the NCAA semifinals, 49-34. Students waited along the sidelines the last few minutes of the game in anticipation to bring the goal posts down. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Practical

experience found in organization

by Laura Pearl

When Ben Prell entered Northwest as an ambitious English major, he had no idea what changes his developing love for political science and the nation's capitol would bring to his life.

By the time he reached his sophomore year, Prell realized he needed to take a look at his future and alter his plans. At that point, he officially became a political science major, doubleminoring in criminal justice and Spanish, and started getting involved in organizations that would help him prepare for law school.

Mock Trial helped him gain hands-on experience dealing with the kinds of law careers he could face in the future.

"Mock Trial was the closest I had gotten to really being into my career," Prell said.

Team members analyzed cases and formed strategies of prosecution or defense. The American Mock Trial Association composed the cases used in competitions, and those were what members studied in their preparation.

"Mock Trial reinforced my desire to be an attorney," Prell said. "It taught me to be more organized and showed me how to deal with public speaking in what was sometimes an intimidating and strict environment."

Looking toward the future, Prell's goals continued to grow. He wished to leave the Midwest and settle down in the politically-active area of Washington D.C. Prell began to apply to law schools in that area.

After law school, Prell hoped to enter the FBI academy. When he attended the academy, he knew he had a good chance of being employed at the counterterrorism unit because it was relatively new.

Prell's ambitions included going on to become a criminal analyst and eventually a manager for that department.

Those lofty goals and big ambitions were evident early in Prell's life. He taught himself to read at the age of three using materials from his mother's preschool.

As Prell grew older, his ambition only grew, helping him to receive a Bright Flight Scholarship.

When he came to Northwest, Prell became actively involved in the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, various honor organizations, Pre-Law Society and Mock Trial. He also served as a student manager at the University Conference Center and was a student ambassador.

Prell thought his life at Northwest was an important step in the course of his life.

"There was no other place where I would have had the chance to meet so many people my own age to interact with," Prell said.

Through his intense involvement in campus life and his ambitious plans for the future, Prell showed how many opportunities could be created. With long-lasting determination, Prell not only accepted but looked toward change, and that constantly propelled him forward.

Misty Durham
Brian Easley
Jeremy Eaton
Chris Eckert
Anthony Edelen
John Edwards
Tracy Edwards
Jennifer Egger



Elizabeth Eggers
Russell Eich
Stacey Eichhorn
Alison Eilers
Eric Eilers
Thomas Eisele
Kristine Eklund
Robin Endermuhle



Justin Engelhardt
Jill Eppenbaugh
Amy Evans
Janis Evans
Mary Evans
Lakisha Ewing
Meena Ewing
Beth Fajen





Lambda Pi Eta

- Communications Honor Society
- Administered high scholastic achievement
- Encouraged further educational goals

Front Row: Ashley Gerken, April Griffith and Angela Patton
Back Row: Brantt Lindsey, Travis Mudloff and Eric Eklot



Millikan Hall Council

- Involved in penny wars contest with money going to community to feed families for Thanksgiving

Front Row: Devon Black, Kelly Daniels, Sarah Halsey, Sarah Moser, Sandie Holmes, Amy Carter, Anna Eustrom, Kathy Mayes, Julie Roberts and Katie Kausalik. Row 2: Amanda Tackett, Kisha Cummings, Jessica Vochatzer, Michele Smith, Summer Hubbard, Pam Brewster, Steph Bolton, Nicole Strong, Sara Kaden, Hope Hohensee and Nicole Nulph. Back Row: Munaba Nasiro, Jessica Dayton, Heather Heidzig, Lakisha Ewing, Kelly Hansen, Nicole Barringer, Christina Cranmer, April Nelson and Amber Monroe.



Mock Trial Team

- Prepared for competition against other schools in American Mock Trial Association tournaments
- Competed annually in regional tournaments
- Have won Individual Outstanding Witness and Attorney awards

Front Row: Andrea McNeil and Rachael Wheeler. Row 2: Danielle Saunders, Danielle Berlowitz, Ethena Sunderman and Tracy Stoehr. Back Row: Chris Banks, Mark Pederson, Mindy White, Ben Prell and Dr. Kevin Buterbaugh.



Jennifer Faltys
Christopher Farmer
Katherine Farmer
Stacy Farmer
Damian Farris
Karen Fatka
Ryan Feltz
Jennifer Fenner

Tom Fenner
John Ferrell
Lindsay Fick
Lon Ficken
Michael Fields
Rebecca Finocchio
Michelle Fish
Josh Flake

Catherine Fleak
Shannon Flinn
Heidi Floersch
Wesley Florea
Lori Fogle
Jason Foland
Greg Ford
Brian Formanek

Mortar Board

- Hosted a faculty appreciation tea each year
- Participated in middle school tutoring

Front Row: Johanne Fairchild, Jen Weipert, Nicole Fizette, Michele Beisel, Jennifer Rule, Angie Bayne, Jill Roasa and Kerry Baldwin. Row 2: Kate Carrel, Jackie Tegen, Stefanie Meyer, Stefanie Rentie, Chris Peasley, Jeanne Swarnes, Gayle McIntosh, Julie Norlen and Curt Friedel. Back Row: Angel McAdams, Summer Brown, Robert Aschentrop, Devin Warrington, Dwayne Saucier, Sinan Atahan, Mike Burke, Travis Manners and Rita Delsignore.



Music Educators National Conference

- Hosted a regional junior high music festival
- Attended the MMEA State Conference
- Sponsored various workshops

Front Row: Megan Brixey, Megan Allbaugh, Camilla Geuy, Seth Wheeler, Sarah Barton Thomas, Julia Bookless, Carey Mills and Melissa Auwarter. Row 2: Gillian Sterago, Rachel M. Nichols, Beth Green, Ashley Dougan, Elizabeth Eggers, Jessy Smith and Allison Neibling. Row 3: Erin McKillip, Mary Riley, Casey Whitaker, Sarah Meyer, Amanda Mendon, Alan Hutchcraft and Trent Buckner. Back Row: Adam Cartwright, Loren Gray, Danny Baker, Zane Knudtson, Sam Crust, Derek Johnson and Dr. Chris Gibson.



National Agri-Marketing Association

- Professional mentor/mentee program
- Sold Barnwarming T-shirts

Front Row: Duane Jewell, Crystal Melcher, Krystal Harpole, Jennifer Johannaber and Leigh Meyer. Row 2: Valerie Cooper, Hope Schloman, Sara Rogers, Alicia Fagg, Julie Benton and Christy Raymond. Row 3: Kari Eck, Tiffany Quillen, Beth Collins, Katie Parpart, Deborah Turner, Courtney Burgert, Jason Foland and Brian Hopf. Back Row: James Paschal, Cody Bird, Rich Blackburn, Amend Sealine, Keith Pietig, Tom Head and Robert Conley.



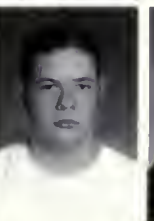
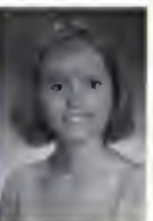
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Nicole Freis



Karri Frerichs
Rory Frisbie
Rebekah Frost
Kristina Fry
Jenny Fuller
Stephanie Galloway
Colleen Ganey
Shauna Gard



Melissa Garner
Susan Garrett
Sarah Garriott
Jamie Gaston
Kyle Gaston
Jeff Gates
Jamie Gatson
Camilla Geuy





Respect

for animals provides memories

by Michelle Krambeck

ON CD-ROM

Most people were appreciative of a pet cat or dog; others would take in anything that came along. Stacie Trout was one of the latter group.

It started when she was growing up in Grain Valley, Mo. Her family purchased two ducks to live on their pond. It was not long before they realized one duck, Sonny, was different. At the change of seasons, one duck flew away, but Sonny stayed at the Trout's pond because it was unable to fly.

It was not long before a group of geese landed at the pond. One goose, Lucy, broke its leg. The Trouts took the goose to a wildlife refuge to have its leg fixed. They were told the goose would be fine, and the other geese would not even notice the brace. They were wrong. Lucy became an outcast, and the other geese completely ignored her.

One day, Sonny met up with Lucy, and the two became outcasted friends.

"You should have seen Sonny and Lucy swimming together," Trout said. "They were misfits but were best friends. It was so cute."

Trout's love of animals did not end with birds. Living in Maryville, she had a similar situation occur with a squirrel.

A friend of Trout's found an injured squirrel on campus and knew Trout would take care of it, which she did. Trout named the squirrel "Swirl" and nursed it back to health. It became tame and a good pet. Swirl lived with an older woman in Blue Springs, Mo.

There was only one animal Trout was able to identify as one she did not love: her roommate's dog.

"I hated Bailey," Trout said. "He was the only dog I had never liked. He had no manners, he begged all day long and he smelled."

While Trout's true love of animals may not have extended to her roommate's dog, she was

STACIE TROUT LOVED animals of all kinds and often extended her heart to them. She often made wild animals her pets and nursed sick and injured animals back to health.
Portrait by Laura Prichard

always willing to open her heart, and her home to animals, even if they were injured or misfits.



Katrina Gibbs
Shira Gibson
Jenny Giffin
Stephanie Gilchrist
Brianne Giles
Erin Gilmore
Jennifer Gladbach
Alysue Glasz

Jessie Glenn
Ryan Goddard
Jeff Goettemoeller
Jon Goldberg
Chasity Gooch
Vanessa Goodale
Scott Goodrich
Nichole Gottsch

Sarah Gowdy
Kathryn Graber
Andrea Grant
Brian Grant
Deborah Grantham
Christopher Gray
Ryan Gray
Gregory Graybill

by Matthew Pearl

When Bill Terry came to Northwest he felt an attraction to the University's computer science program. After a few semesters of adjustment, Terry began to see there was more to college than hitting the books.

Terry got involved in activities and organizations at the start of his junior year. Losing the inhibition that he held in high school, Terry began to branch out creatively.

One of his most meaningful experiences, however, came from his involvement in Residence Hall Association.

"I attended a conference for RHA that really gave me some good new ideas to bring to my own life and to other on-campus students," Terry said.

Terry's responsibilities and interests ranged from serving as webmaster for RHA's webpage, he was the treasurer for Franken Hall and a devoted member of the The Star Trek Society.

Terry's main interest was computers, and time spent with technology was justifiable, considering his computer science major and math minor. In fact, it was the quality of the highly advertised Electronic Campus which played a important part in Terry's desire to come attend Northwest.

The Northwest staff and curriculum allowed

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION webmaster Bill Terry is responsible for the RHA website. Terry was a computer science major and a member of the The Star Trek Society. Portrait by Amy Roh

Terry to specify his particular interests in the field of computer. Subcategories like networking gave focus for his education and allowed him to explore some exciting new fields.

"Basically, the courses were offered that we wanted," Terry said. "They looked into new fields of study and added new classes all the time. I liked that."

By accepting more social, educational and financial responsibility Terry felt Northwest helped him develop into a better person.

The small-town atmosphere and professional attitude of the faculty and staff, according to him, allowed him to prepare for an exciting career in technology.



Beth Green
Jennifer Greene
Jason Greer
Tiffany Gregg
Beth Greunke
Christine Grier
Derrick Griffen
Sean Griffen

Vanessa Grimm
Tracy Gross
Bryan Grow
Matthew Gruber
Kimberly Gubser
Gina Guerrero
Tamika Guinn
Suzanne Guthrie

Julie Gutschenritter
Matthew Hackett
Jill Hackley
Heather Hailine
Amelia Hale
Tammy Hallgren
Sarah Halsey
Sarah Hambrecht





National Residence Hall Honorary

- Sponsored leadership scholarship
- Held a training session for Hall Council Executive Boards
- Sold "warm fuzzles" as a fund-raiser

Front Row: Scott Evans, Carrie Coan, Jenna Rhodes, Jamie Gaston, Amy Carpenter and Amanda Davis. Row 2: Curt Friedel, Les Clark, Catherine Hamlin, Kate Doooley, Brian Hopf, Heather Hall and Stefanie Meyer. Back Row: Jeremy Walker, Derek Williams, Jacob Reeser, Jessica Anderson, Melissa Gilkison and Jason Gibson.



Newman Center

- Free homecooked meals weekly
- Discussion groups weekly
- One trash pick-up per semester

Front Row: Becky Wigington, Melissa Schram and Debbie Lollmann. Row 2: Lynsi Rahorst, Leslie Dickherber, Jessy Smith, Dr. Dave Cutton and John Clisbee. Back Row: Jill Eppenbaugh, Chris Farmer, Jeff Goetemoeller, Teresa Schlueter, Father Peter Ullrich and John Ohlberg.



North Complex Hall Council

- Community service
- Social activities

Front Row: Scott Evans, Kenneth Nakano, Brian Campbell, Elizabeth Keane, David Graham, Jenna Rhodes, Jamie Gaston and Michael Burney. Row 2: Lori Lanham, Andrea Conover, Stefanie Meyer, Amanda Williams, Jonathan Hyde, Amy Carpenter, Jessica Weisz, Sara Begley, Jamasa Kramer and Jeremy Viles. Row 3: Chad McGraw, Jeremy Kuntze, Thad Dixon, Nicholas Drake, Daniel Seyer, Mike Fields, Charles Matthew Lewis, Chris Higgs and Rick Stiener. Back Row: Kevin King, Brian Dorn, Matthew Pearl, Troy McDaniels, John Edwards, Joshua Dunlap, Bradford Snopek, Tom Head, Nick Hanson and Zachary Colvin.



Destiny Hamilton
Laura Hampton
JoEllen Hancock
Sarah Handrup
Nicholle Hanley
Brooke Hansen
Jena Hansen
Nicholas Hanson

Natalie Harbin
Kory Harbour
Bradley Harden
Jennifer Hardison
Ann Harman
Monica Harper
Krystal Harpole
Christopher Harris

Jamie Harris
Megan Harris
Jennifer Harrison
Julia Hart
Bobbie Jo Hartman
Gina Hartsock
Leanne Hartstack
Denise Hastings

Family closeness affects interests

by Stephanie Zeilstra



Spending time with friends and family was important to **Sue Switzer**.

Switzer was active with a variety of hobbies, some of which she learned from family members.

"I liked doing things like swimming, biking and shopping," Switzer said.

Switzer developed a love of all types of music from her father. He had been a disc jockey and worked at events like dances, weddings and receptions for 10 years.

"I was kind of forced, growing up, to listen to all kinds of music, and I really loved and enjoyed all types of music because of my father," Switzer said.

Switzer helped her father with paperwork and kept track of billing, which she enjoyed doing because she was a business management major.

Switzer was involved in American Marketing Association and was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, the freshman national honor society.

"I really wanted to work in the business field and especially personnel," Switzer said. "I wanted to change to computer management systems because it involved both a business and computer core."

Switzer was enrolled in 18 hours in the fall. She said this kept her busy and did not allow for much

involvement in other activities.

Switzer enjoyed doing ceramics, which she learned from her grandmother. Her grandmother owned a ceramics shop, and Switzer spent a lot of time there because she liked to do ceramics and spend time with her grandmother.

Switzer was close to her family of seven brothers and sisters. She also had two nephews and a niece, but only got to see them during the holidays because of where they lived.

Switzer was close friends with seven girls. They liked to hang out and do things together.

"We had a lot of movie nights," Switzer said. "My favorite movies were probably the classics, like 'Top Gun' and 'Grease.'"

The group liked to go shopping when they got the chance. They usually went on road trips to St. Joseph, Mo., or Kansas City, Mo.

Switzer said she had a good listening ear when it came to her friends, because family and friends were important to her. She embraced those relationships.

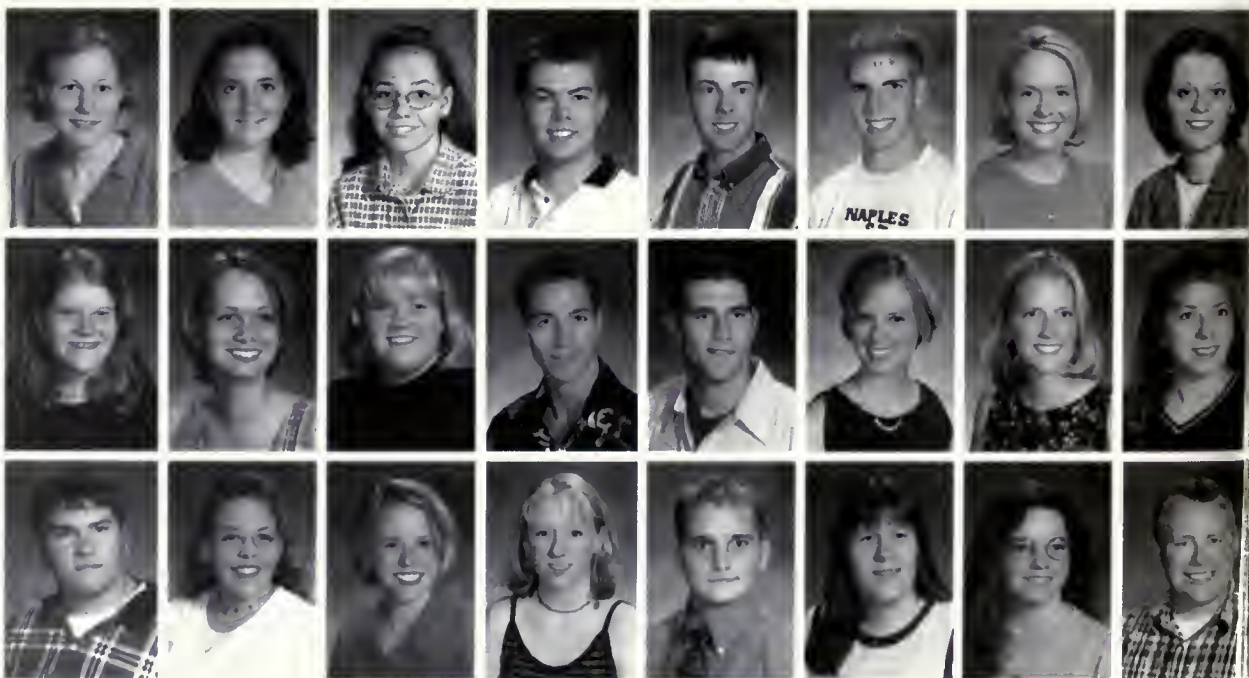
ON A THURSDAY evening Sue Switzer plays circle of death, a card game, with a group of friends. Switzer made sure to schedule plenty of time for friends and family since they were important to her. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



Katy Hawley
Jennifer Hayes
Andrea Haynes
Michael Head
Tom Head
Benjamin Heavilin
Abigail Heath
Jennifer Heermann

Maya Hees
Mi Tasha Heideman
Heather Heidzig
Joshua Heihn
Todd Heins
Kerre Heintz
Christine Helling
Corrie Hellums

Derek Helwig
Nichole Hendricks
Stephanie Henley
Megan Henning
Coby Henry
Jill Henry
Sharon Henry
Samuel Henson





Northwest Forensics Team

- Participated in forensics tournaments throughout the country

Front Row: Casey Wikstrom, Teresa Parvin, Colleen Schwalm, Kim Reitsma, Angela McMahon, Ryan Fouts and Sarah Johnson. Row 2: Annie Chromy, Nicole Nulph, Jill Seeley, Rachel Vierck, Adrienne Rosenthal and Justin Burton. Back Row: Valerie Colton, Brian Dorn, Zach Boman, Bill Cue, Chris Banks, Joshua Updike and Chris Railsback.



Northwest Jazz Ensemble

- Sponsored Northwest District Jazz Festival
- Toured to Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Kansas and throughout Missouri
- Performed with many jazz artists

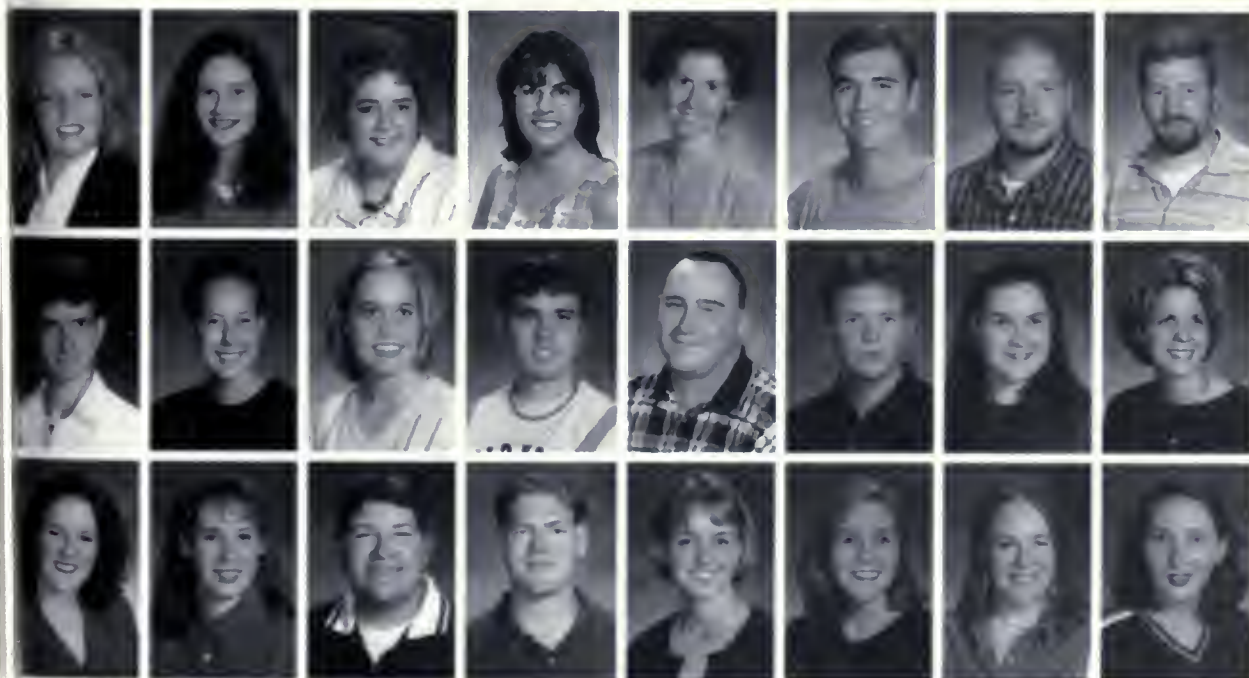
Front Row: Nathan Simons, Alex Dyer, Steve Nichols, David Potter and Nic Vasquez. Row 2: Martin Small, BJ Clark, Brad Davis, Sam Henson, John Kizilarmut and Mike McBain. Row 3: Dakota Derr and Dr. John Entz. Back Row: Dan Barnett, Scott Weber, Matt Bonsignore, Jim Beerends and Ryan Whiting.



Northwest Missourian

- Published weekly newspaper and dally online
- Missourian Daily Online at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/>

Front Row: Joni Jones, Nicole Fuller, Lindsey Corey and Stephanie Clarkin. Row 2: Mike Ransdell, Mark Hornickel, Kimberly Mansfield, Jammie Silvey and Walid Johnson. Row 3: Kyle Worthington, Toru Yamauchi, Barry Piatt, Angela Patton and Enca Smith. Back Row: Jennifer Meyer, Rachael Jenks, Matt Armstrong, Burton Taylor, Heather Butler and Laune DenOuden.



Farrah Herbert
Kari Herbst
Heidi Hester
Toni Hettinger
Karen Heyle
Robert Hicks
Matt Higgs
Thomas Higgs

Jimmy Hill
Michaela Hirayama-Ross
Michelle Hirl
Jeffrey Hitt
Theodore Hoefle
Seth Hofstetter
Brooke Hogan
Jill Hoggatt

Kari Hogya
Hope Hohensee
Justin Hoke
Chad Holmes
Sandie Holmes
Rebecca Homuth
Laura Hoppe
Angela Horn

Rodeo

by Matthew Pearl

participant wishes for more support

different perspectives
more coverage
ON CD-ROM

The very mention of rodeo brought a smile to the face of Jay Nellesen. Due to his devotion to his favorite sport, he was a member of the Northwest Rodeo Club and Team, and his focus had been on the logistics of roping and riding for years.

"My family always had horses around, so it was a way of life," Nellesen said. "When just riding them got boring, I went for something a little more exciting."

Nellesen described the experience he and many of his friends had as something that required hard work for very little glory.

Raised in Carroll, Iowa, Nellesen made many friends who were also interested in rodeo. He chose to come to Northwest and become a part of the rodeo club and team.

"I was a little disappointed with the lack of moral and financial support by the college in regard to rodeo," Nellesen said.

The group, he said, had no athletic scholarships and no coach.

"We did a damn good job for a group of people that worked all by themselves," Nellesen said.

The senior agricultural science major said the agricultural department and instructors were understanding in regard to the group situation.

"All of the agricultural science people were willing to help you with whatever you needed," Nellesen said.

Nellesen said other departments in the college should have taken more notice in the rodeo club and team, and that it would have been a good selling point to prospective students.

Aside from studying or traveling with the organization for one of several rodeo events, Nellesen spent his time working for Hollingsworth Nursery in Maryville, as well as shoeing horses locally. Nellesen said he was inspired to work hard by his parents, who were both full-time workers.

"My mom had been a deputy sheriff in Iowa for a while, but she or my dad always somehow took the time before I turned 16 to take me to practice roping whenever I needed it," Nellesen said.

In the future Nellesen planned to work as a sales representative for an agricultural company. On the weekends, he hoped to attend amateur rodeos.

"I would have liked to live in Missouri," Nellesen said. "But I supposed I would go where the money took me."

As far as plans for a family, he had a steady girlfriend and said a family was the only reasonable step.

Despite the frustrations of being involved in an organization often overlooked by the community, Nellesen managed to obtain a great deal of rodeo experience, while helping a struggling club and team make its way. As a true lover of animals and the outdoors, he made his mark on the agricultural department and the rodeo club and team.

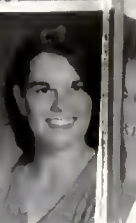
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Rachel House
Jamin Howell
Melinda Howerton
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Summer Hubbard
Richard Hubble
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Sarah Huffer
Brandi Hughes
Brian Hula
Lisa Hull
Amy Hunt



Heather Hunt
Kimberly Hunt
Debbie Hurlhurt
Jodi Hurley
Chris Hurst
Lisa Huse
Erika Hutson
Alisha Hyatt





Rodeo Club

- Hosted Missouri High School Rodeo
- Hosted Exceptional Rodeo for physically and mentally challenged individuals

Front Row: Duane Jewell, Brian Conrad, Justin Keller and Carrie Twyman. Row 2: Deborah Turner, Katie Parpart, Keely Barnett, Brad Hulett and Kevin Allen. Row 3: Beth Collins, Dan Buckman, Kyle Sheetz and Heath Carlson. Back Row: Brad Stephens, Ernst Uthlaut, Jay Nellesen, Tyler Williams and Chris Evans.



Northwest Star Trek Society

- Met weekly to discuss all facets of the Star Trek Universe
- A chapter of the International Federation of Trekkers
- Sponsored trips to area conventions and other Trekkie events

Front Row: Andrew Saeger, Devin Warrington, Keith Stock and Jon Holt. Back Row: Bill Terry, Harold Spangler, Dakota Derr, Benjamin Zugg and Michael Larsen.



Northwest Student Athletic Trainers' Association

- Provided coverage for all varsity athletic sporting events, helped with injuries
- Student led group

Front Row: Kelly Archer, Dave Colt, Lesley Hill, DJ Gilliland Jr., Amy Howard, Deborah Hibner and Cassie Ledford. Back Row: Meranda Adwell, Denise Schoenborn, Jeff Smith, Kevin Rask, Landi VanAhn, Ami Austin and Rachel Courtney.



Jonathan Hyde
Stephanie Hylton
Lexi Isaacson
Patrick Iske
Jacqueline Ismert
Jaime Isom
Kenji Isse
Regina Iwen

Joseph Jackson
Julia Jackson
Carmen Jacobs
Katie Jacobs
Emily Jacobsen
Jennifer Jarman
Jennifer Jensen
Veronica Jensen

Amy Jesse
Keri Jewell
Lindsay Jilka
Jennifer Johannaber
Brian Johnson
Derek Johnson
Latonia Johnson
Melissa Johnson

Northwest Varsity Jazz Ensemble

- Participated in Northwest Jazz Festival and Northwest District Jazz Festival

Front Row: Chris Pack, Julie Dake, Jason Paiva, Bradley Harden and Jamie Haidisiak. Row 2: Chad Brown, Jeremy Eaton, Derek Johnson and Justin Fitzgerald. Back Row: Allison Neibling, Soren Wohlers, Shena Grenier and Dr. John Entzi.



102 River Wildlife Club

- For anyone interested in ecology, conservation, nature, wildlife, a healthy environment or any outdoor recreation.
- Involved in Maryville Christmas bird court
- Went on Omaha, Neb., zoo trip and Indian Caves excursion

Front Row: Justin Kuntze, Stephanie Gilchrist, Jessica Armendariz, Amy Hunt and Angie Bowman. Row 2: Warren Crouse, Pat Iske, Suzanne Beebe, Becky Dahlke, Tracy Misale and Molly Ray. Back Row: Steve Gilson, Chantz Brown, Nick Schenck, Dr. David Easterla, Daniel Jensen and Ben Sutter.



Order of Omega

- Sponsored Watermelon Fest
- Helped with Greek Week and Greek Awards ceremony

Front Row: Jen Weipert, Jeanne Swarnes, Brianne Giles, Angie Bayne, Jennifer Simler, Jennifer Rule and Alicia Johnson. Row 2: Julie Norlen, Sarah Wieland, Vanessa Buhrmester, Michele Beisel, Debby Grantham, Ashely Gerken, Jamie Hatz and Jessica Boynton. Back Row: Dwayne Saucier, Michael Spriggs, Travis Manners, Jeff Smith, Mark Pederson, Ben Prell, Kyle Niemann and Robert Aschentrop.



Robert Johnson
Ryan Johnson
Sarah Johnson
Sarah Johnson
Walid Johnson
Justin Jolkowski
Adrian Jones
Leila Jones



Joshua Juengel
Kyla Kaetzel
Tyler Kapp
Aubrey Karns
Marjorie Kasman
Kathrine Kausalik
Elizabeth Keane
Tina Kehr



Greg Keith
Erin Keller
Laura Keller
Kevin Kelley
Chris Kendrick
Jacob Kendrick
Matthew Kennedy
Todd Kenney



Broadcasting

by Eric Davis

proves fun, unpredictable

ON CD-ROM

For Nick Drake, learning from experience was essential, which was why he chose Northwest.

"I wanted a well-rounded education in broadcasting," Drake said. "At Northwest, I could start learning right off the bat."

Drake enjoyed announcing basketball and football games for the student radio station, KDLX. He loved hosting "The Roommate Game," a game show that challenged roommates' knowledge of each other. Drake said the job got exciting when things got competitive.

"It was a blast," Drake said. "The producers did a great job of setting things up. The show was fun and different. It was no problem to get participants."

Even though Drake loved hosting "The Roommate Game," he said the most rewarding part of broadcasting was the people he met.

"The best part about working at KNWT was definitely the friends I made," Drake said. "The variety of people was great."

Drake got into broadcasting after his high school teachers encouraged him to get involved.

"I never thought I could do it," Drake said. "Once I got out there, it was fun. That was what really turned me on to it. It was unpredictable. There was a lot of variety, and I loved to entertain people."

Drake loved television. David Letterman was his favorite entertainer, and he planned to take a similar career path. He envisioned himself starting in a small television market.

Drake gained lots of experience from working at KNWT-TV8, the University television station, but college taught him other lessons.

"I was more independent," Drake said. "I became more value-oriented. I stuck to the things I believed in and became more disciplined."

BECAUSE OF HIS love for broadcasting, Nick Drake, host of "The Roommate Game," enjoyed the work he did for KNWT-TV8. Drake hoped to one day work in the late night circuit. *Portrait by Amy Roh*

Drake was learning every day. However, the only way to see his next move was to stay tuned.



Danica Kent
Jeni Kenyon
Kelly Kettinger
Brianna Kiger
Jacque Kiger
Christian Kincheloe
Brianne King
Courtney King

Elizabeth King
Kevin King
Lori King
Julie Kirk
Cassia Kite
Kim Kizer
Molly Klesath
Brooke Klotz

Kern Koch
Stanley Koehler
Nicholas Koeteman
Elizabeth Kohmetscher
Heather Kohtz
Bill Koile
Becky Kondas
Amanda Krael

Halftime Highlights

The Bearcat Steppers watch the baton twirler during the half time show of the game against Missouri Western State College. The Bearcats dominated the game with a score of 45-32. *Photo by Amy Roh*





Positive

by Derek McDermott

outlook cures troubles

more coverage
on CD-ROM

Spending her youth in Stanberry, Mo., Michelle Mattson's life was always connected to Northwest.

"If you counted my sister and three brothers, and now me, there had been a Mattson attending this University since 1982, which was kind of cool," Mattson said.

Mattson lived off campus and was active in campus organizations. She was a member of the Phi Mu fraternity and had been in the Public Relations Student Society of America.

Mattson was a public relations major. Several factors helped her decide on public relations. People always told her she was outgoing and talkative, and she thought it would be a good field for her; however, she did not decide on public relations until Dr. Kathy Leeper sat her down and talked to her about it.

"Kathy really helped me to decide that I would be good in public relations," Mattson said. "She was a big help and motivator."

While Mattson was not sure what she wanted to do in public relations, she wanted to be happy and hoped to like the people she would work with.

"If you did not enjoy the people you worked around and with, it could be very hard for you to enjoy the field you were in," Mattson said.

Mattson enjoyed the nightlife that Maryville offered. She loved to dance at the local bars.

The craziest thing she felt she had done while at Northwest was when her and friend brought alcohol, hidden inside bottles, into the library during one of their large study sessions.

In the end, Mattson lived by a couple of different sayings that she thought summed up all it took to be happy at college.

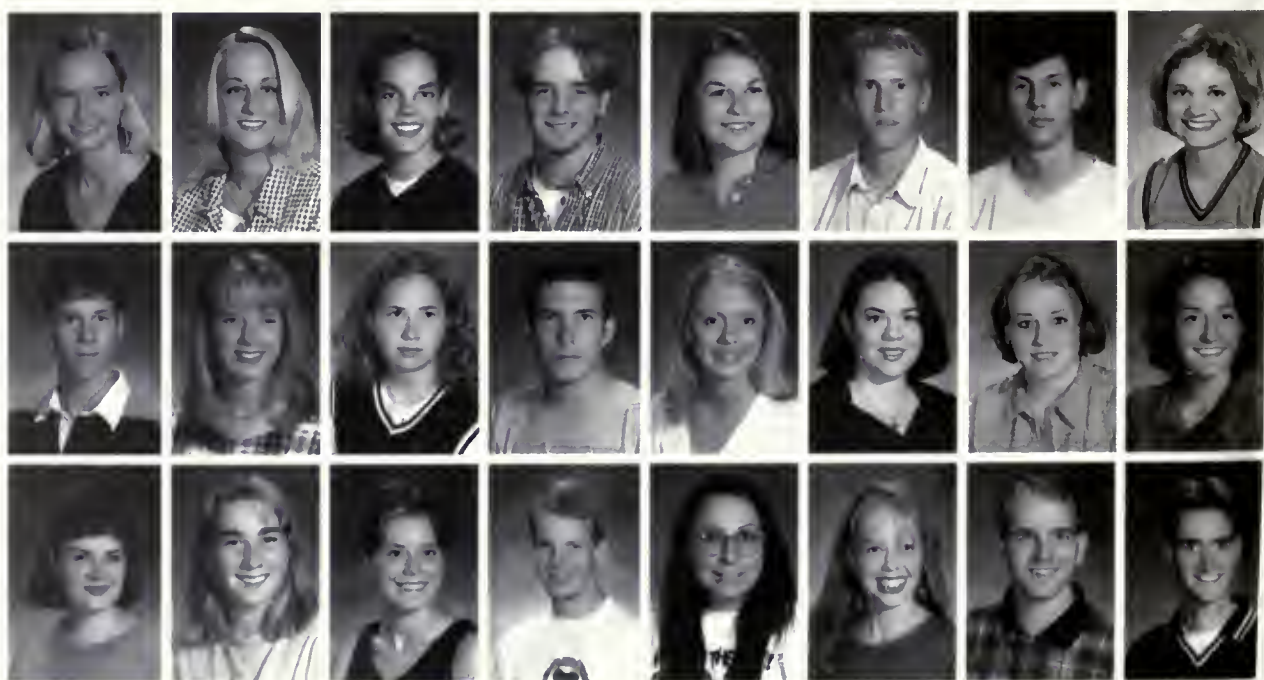
"You should have always treated people how you wished to be treated, and a smile would cure all of life's little problems," Mattson said.

Mattson felt that by listening to these sayings, college would be an easier and more gratifying experience for all.

PERPETUALLY CONNECTED TO Northwest, Michelle Mattson had a relative in attendance at Northwest since 1982. Mattson was a graduate at the first December commencement. *Portrait by Sarah Phipps*



Debra Kraft
Jamasa Kramer
Jennifer Krause
Justin Krecker
Jill Kreisler
Delton Kruk
Christopher Kuchma
Shasta Kueck
Cara Kuecker
Jeremy Kuntze
Justin Kuntze
Terri Kurrelmeyer
Faith Kuster
Robert Laflin
Kristin Lafrentz
Dana Laird
Dawn Lamansky
Aimee Lambert
Roban Lampkin
Liz Lancaster
Teresa Lancey
Stephanie Landers
Lori Lanham
Michael Larsen
Tammy Lee
Laura Leffert
Jason Lengemann
Eian Leppin
Pamela Lerch
Charles Lewis





Panhellenic Council

- Governing body of sororities
- Hosted formal sorority Rush
- Started adopt-a-school program, Angel Tree, brought in both educational and leadership speakers, gave scholarships, Greek unity programs

Front Row: Mandy Johnson, Sarah Alexander, Jennifer Simler, Sara Lovely and Alicia Johnson Row 2: Amy Smith, Brooke Moberly, Mendy Wilson, Jennifer Greene, Megan Harris, Julie Norlen, Jen Weipert and Laura Brown Row 3: Nicholle Hanley, Rita DelSignore, Lisa Lewis, Jenny Fahlstrom, Jill Johnson, Cristina Peacock and Monica Davis Back Row: Michelle Hirl, Angela Riley, Suzy McWilliams, Jessica Boynton and Rebecca Henith



Perrin Hall Council

- Fund-raisers, Intramurals, social events and hall improvements

Front Row: Monica Harper, Amanda Scott, Melissa Johnson, Valerine Sparvell, Sherree Pedersen and Rachel Cox Back Row: Ginny Seel, Stephanie Wallace, Patrice Casey, Michelle Launsby, Angie Smothers, Jenny Backman and Jacque Serflaten



Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

- Supported and promoted music and musicians
- Gave yearly scholarships to students of music
- Local chapter celebrated 30th anniversary, national fraternity celebrated 100th anniversary

Front Row: Eric Woodward, Christopher Marple, Corey Johnson, Adam Smith, Ryan Kenney, Rob Duvall, Sean Rathman, Christopher Fisher, Adam Droege Mueller and Chad Brown Row 2: Jerry Nevins, Anthony Edelen, Joe Spalding, Seth Wheeler, Loren Bridge, Steve Dobisch and Sam Crust Row 3: Jeremy Browning, David Potter, Martin Small, Alan Hutchcraft, Joe O'Donnell, Marcus Duncan, Zane Knudtson, Trent Buckner and Ryan Beier Back Row: Mark Murphy, Troy Dargin, Charles Pack, Matthew Bonsignore, Kalin Tapp, Toby Strade, Tye Parsons, Brian Bliss, Adam Cartwright and Jeff Edmonds



Pi Beta Alpha

- Sponsored professional speakers on a variety of topics

Front Row: Sarah Carr, Sarah Moore and Crystal Houk Back Row: Dwayne Saucier, Rance Carlson, Greg Reichart and Patrick McLaughlin



Resident

by Emily Vaughn

assistant discovers his role

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It was a well-known fact that there was never enough time in one day for a person to get everything done. Doug Montgomery discovered this when he began his new job as a resident assistant on the second floor of Franken Hall.

"We did everything," Montgomery said. "We built communities and morale. We were a friend, a confidant and tried to be a good role model."

Montgomery felt the best part of his job was getting the chance to meet new people around him, including the people he worked with. He said the people were the best part of his job.

However, he said there were a few bad parts of the job, like the 3 a.m. problems.

"What you loved the most, you also could hate the most," Montgomery said.

The job often put him in uncomfortable situations, such as when he did his nightly rounds, and girls came out of their rooms without much clothing on.

Montgomery was influenced to become a RA when he was a freshman.

"My RA totally made me want to become an RA," Montgomery said. "I guess it was kind of a way for me to repay my RA for being such a great one."

Montgomery was a sophomore broadcasting major, involved in KDLX as a member of the news staff. After graduation, Montgomery hoped to work for a radio station in Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb., or Chicago.

Montgomery was also a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and was active on the cabinet. His fraternity was a source of growth and had a very positive and influential impact on him; it helped him get out, meet people and get involved.

"College taught me many things including time management and how to be a better person," Montgomery said. "The organizations and everything were great. It gave me the chance to do what I wanted and taught me how to balance it all."

That balance would help Montgomery achieve success in everything he aspired to do.

RESIDENT ASSISTANT DOUG Montgomery checks residents out of their second floor Franken Hall rooms. RAs were in charge of specific floors and all the happenings on that floor. *Photo by Amy Roh*



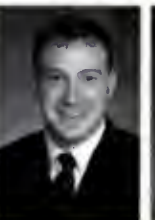
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Jina Lilly
Elizabeth Lindgren
Bridget Little
Cari Livengood
Debbie Lollmann



Jaime Long
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Elizabeth Love
Sara Lovely
Jennifer Lovesee
Raquel Lowdon
Kelsey Lowe
Michelle Ludwig



Melissa Lullmann
Lindsay Lund
Kristen Lundgren
Amy Lunnon
William Lymer
Carrie Mace
Todd Mackin
Philip Maher





Pi Omega Pi

- National business teacher education honor society
- 75th anniversary of the organization at Northwest

Front Row: Jamie Gaston, Amy Allen, Shandra Morin and Rachel Peek. Back Row: Denise Herbers, Nancy Zeliff, Barb Brown and Jodie Hoffman.



Pre-Law Society

- Helped students prepare for law school by conducting practice law school admissions tests
- Sponsored speakers

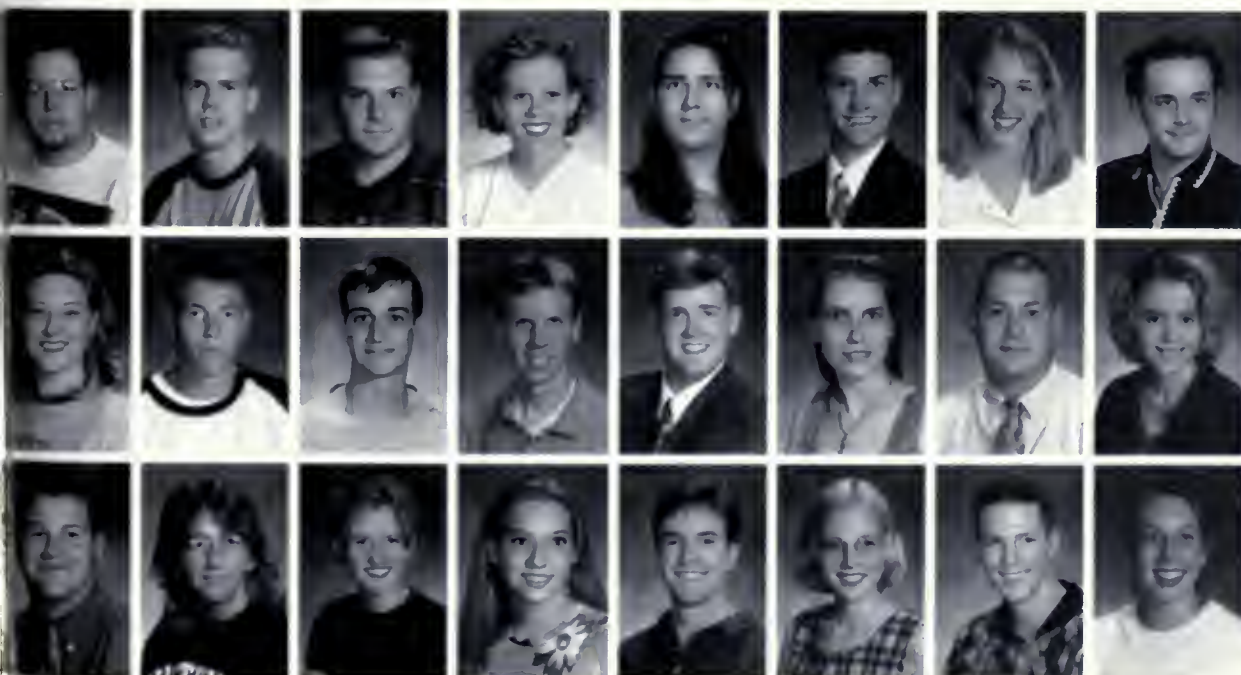
Front Row: Andrea McNeil, Tracy Stoeher and Rachael Wheeler. Row 2: Danielle Saunders, Danielle Berlowitz and Ethera Sunderman. Back Row: Chris Banks, Mark Pederson, Mindy White, Ben Prell and David McLaughlin.



Pre-Med Club

- Gave members insight for professional schools
- Worked at the Bearcat concession stand

Front Row: Saja Raoof, Peggy Marriott, Tommi Allen, Carissa Shain and Mmiliaku Nwoye. Row 2: Rachel Cox, Katherine Miranda, Stephanie Landers, Edith Veliz, Jacque Serflaten, Lori Alexander and Julia Jackson. Row 3: Brian Schaefer, Erin Coulter, Melanie Peters, Tammy Lee, Munaba Nasuro, Cara Cudney, Jennifer Miller, Jennifer Clark and Charles Seetin. Back Row: Cheri Westphal, Larinda Estes, Kim Burkemper, Paul Tracy, Dan Scott, Brent Mongar, Nick Schwab, Jason Schieber and Kurt Haberyan.



John Malewski
Matt Mallicoat
David Mallon
Erin Malone
Anna Mangano
Shawn Malter
Leslie Manley
Michael Mans

Kimberly Mansfield
Jared Mantell
Marcus Marine
Craig Markus
Christopher Marple
Melissa Marr
Justin Marriott
Peggy Marriott

Ryan Marriott
Stephanie Marsh
Melissa Martens
Christi Martin
Shaun Martin
Angela Mason
Becky Masonbrink
Misty Masters

Psi Chi

- National honor society to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in scholarship of individual members in all fields, particularly psychology and to advance the science of psychology

Front Row: Sara Azdell, Megan McFee, Alison Thornton, Linda McCampbell and Amy Pulliam. Back Row: Leslie Ogle, Summer Brown, Nicole Fizette and Lisa Tjelmeland.



Psi Phi

- Made charitable contributions to Humane Society
- Sponsored "To Hell With Finals" parties

Front Row: Carrie Van Hoose, Rachel Cox, Dr. Pauline Lizotte and Kali Williams. Row 2: Michael Wenberg, Scott Reynolds, Matt Burns and Jeffrey Simonson. Back Row: Joel Merritt, Andrew Leibman, Michael Larsen and Jared Rissler.



Psychology/Sociology Society

- Organization for all psychology and sociology majors
- Community service project involved sponsoring a dance for the mentally challenged

Front Row: Kimberly Gubser, Alison Thornton, Nicole Fizette, Megan Jones, Amy Pulliam, Lisa Penix and Duff Paules. Row 2: Danielle Thibault, Julie Jacobs, Elizabeth Love, Leslie Ogle, Pamela Stevens, Sara Cornwell, Karen Casey and Vena Meyers. Back Row: Dr. Carla Edwards, Lisa Tjelmeland, Ethan Brown, Jason Ruoff, Chris Kimpson, David Szyhowski and James Osalkowski.



Stacy Masters
RJ Mathews III
Brandon Matthys
Gareth Mayhew
Kelli Mayo
Dan McAfee
Kristie McAninch
Kenneth McCain



Linda McCampbell
Anne McCarthy
Allison McCauley
Allison McClain
Josephine McClernon
Laura McCormick
Heather McCubbin
Nicole McCune



Sarah McCurdy
Troy McDaniels
Jillian McDannald
Matthew McDonald
Sarah McFarland
Greg McGhee
Chad McGraw
Aaron McIntyre



Shopping supports shoe habit

by Debbie Bacon

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on CD-ROM

Although Melissa Garner left behind over 70 pairs of shoes at her home in Mercer, Mo., to come to Northwest, meeting new people and taking part in campus activities took her mind off the loss.

Garner was a shopping buff. Her favorite store was The Gap, which was unfortunate since the nearest Gap was over 100 miles away in Kansas City, Mo.

Garner classified herself as a shoe freak. However, she did not foresee that she would be able to find a place in her student hall closet for her 70 pairs of shoes.

"I hated the fact I could not bring all of my shoes to college," Garner said.

Garner was busy, but made time for her boyfriend, Ryan. The two attended high school together and continued the relationship in college.

"At first the relationship was not a big thing," Garner said. "He was just my boyfriend. As we got older he became my best friend, too."

They had been together for more than five years. Garner described the relationship as serious. Since Ryan was older, he began attending college while Garner was still in high school.

"It took a while to get used to," Garner said. "We

adjusted though, and it helped that he came home on the weekends."

Garner said it was not hard for the relationship to adjust once Garner began college. The two were able to spend more time together.

During the fall, Garner went through Rush and joined Sigma Kappa sorority.

"I liked knowing all the girls, meeting so many people and knowing you were going to know the people forever—building that lifetime friendship," Garner said.

Throughout her first year, Garner discovered things changed in college, such as her interests, while others evolved, such as her relationship with her boyfriend.



THE PERFECT SWEATER is hard to find at the small selection of stores in Maryville. Michelle Garner searched for a new piece for her wardrobe at J.C. Penney. Photo by Don Myers



Cherise McJunkin
Stephanie McKaig
Colleen McKenzie
Jessica McKenzie
Erin McKillip
Scott McKinley
Stacie McLaughlin
Joshua McMahon

John McMenamin
Laura McMillan
Janelle McMullen
Andrea McNeil
Suzanne McWilliams
Travis Meek
Becky Meeker
Sheryl Meiergerd

Marianne Meinke
Nichole Menefee
Joel Merritt
Kevin Meryman
Daniel Messer
Loren Messer
Jamie Meyer
Jeff Meyer

Pursuit of job motivates

by Emily Vaughn

Erin Wallace, a public relations major, planned to work with the Northwest theatre department to help them with publicity. That was the kind of job she wanted when she finished school.

Wallace changed her future plans to working for a large firm as a public relations director. After getting some experience in a big city, she planned to move to a smaller community and open her own firm.

"With my own firm, I wanted to help the businesses as well as the community," Wallace said.

Wallace got into public relations in high school in her hometown of New Market, Iowa. She was in charge of the publicity for her high school's theater department.

At Northwest, Wallace was the director of Promotion Motion for the Public Relations Student Society of America. As director of Promotion Motion, Wallace was in charge of finding and heading public relations campaigns that would benefit others.

Growing up, Wallace developed a close bond with her mother. Her mother served as a mentor. Wallace looked up to her for all of the community work that she did, and how she helped others.

"I always tried to put others first, like my mom always taught me to," Wallace said. "Every Sunday we would spend time with our grandparents. My parents were very close to their families and felt family was a very important part of life."

Wallace remembered that when she was young, her grandfather brought her back a spoon from the Black Hills in South Dakota, which started her spoon collection. Since then, with the help of friends and family, her collection grew to around 65 spoons from all over the world. She kept the spoons in a special rack that her grandfather made for her a few years before she went to college, as a birthday present.

Family closeness and public relations experience would play key roles in Wallace's future.

PACKED AND READY for the trip home, Erin Wallace loads her belongings in her car for winter break. Wallace spent winter break in her hometown of New Market, Iowa. Photo by Sarah Phipps



Jennifer Meyer
Leigh Meyer
Lori Meyer
Vena Meyers
Niki Mihalovich
Christie Miller
Danae Miller
Joel Miller



Kimberly Miller
Marianne Miller
Nicole Miller
Ricci Miller
Ryan Miller
Tessa Miller
Carey Mills
Lindsay Mills



Katherine Miranda
Tracy Misale
Aaron Mitteness
Brooke Moberly
Brent Mongar
Kyle Monnig
Douglas Montgomery
Bryan Moore



Public Relations Student Society of America

- Participated In national Bateman and Rowan case study
- Interacted with Greater Kansas City PRSSA chapter
- Ran student public relations firm
- Won honorable mention In national organ donor campaign

Front Row: Adviser Kathie Leeper, Stacie Dowell, Kimberly Mansfield and Erin Wallace Row 2 Sarah Hambrecht, Lori Ficken, Dorothy Stowell, Laura Keller and Angela Patton. Back Row: Travis Mudloff, Ryan Whiting, Brett Turner and Josh Wall.



Radio Television News Directors Association

- One of only 30 college chapters In the nation
- Produced "News 8," a weekly news show on KNWT-TV8

Front Row: Marianne Miller, Teresa Parvin, Meg Barnes, Allisha Moss and Amber Olney. Row 2: Scott Jones, Mark Murray, Tina Bullock, Stephanie Richard, Kirsten Anderzhon and Nichole Gottsch. Row 3: Leah Byrn, Paige Glidden, Barry Platt, Lisa Bell, Kerry Jones, Hilarie Jezik and Erika Niermeyer. Back Row: Daniel Dozar, Joe Cox, Nicholas Drake, Kevin King, Tim Durbin and Stephen Hay



Residence Hall Association

- Created on campus programming to improve residence hall living
- Sponsored trick-or-treating in the halls for community children and Halloween dance

Front Row: Scott Evans, Melissa Breazile, Jenna Rhodes, Nicole Miller and Walid Johnson. Row 2: Jonathan Hyde, Shelley Pruitt, Amy Carpenter, Becky Kondas, Kari Sperber and Matt Burns. Row 3: Ryan Gove, LJ Hoppe, Becky Dahlke, Chanell Hill, Jenny Coffey, Jealaine Vaccaro and Kenneth Nakano. Back Row: Matt Baker, Shawn Sandell, Bill Terry, Jason Gibson, Troy McDaniels, Adrian Jones, Andrew Saeger, Robert Owen, Jacob Reeser and Brian Hopf



Jenny Moore
Laura Moore
Rachel Moores
Jesse Mora
Jennifer Moranville
Melody Moreland
Alicia Morford
Brandon Morgan

Shandra Morn
Anneliese Morris
Hilary Morris
Manon Morris
Nicole Mortensen
Allisha Moss
Sara Moss
Valerie Mossman

Corinne Mowczynski
Jason Mudd
Travis Mudloff
Garick Mueller
Suzanne Mueller
Travis Muellner
Amanda Muller
Kathleen Mulnik

Possibilities

by Eric Davis

inspire return to college

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As if working a full-time job and raising three children was not hard enough, **Marcia Evans** added college classes to her life.

"It was hard finding enough time to do things right," Evans said. "Sometimes I had to choose between my family and schoolwork."

Evans' family was supportive of her.

"My two older daughters, Annah, 20, and Tricia, 17, thought it was great," Evans said. "But my youngest, Karley, 9, felt neglected sometimes."

Her husband Mike helped her with studies and raising the family. However, Evans said managing her time wisely was essential.

"Sometimes I felt guilty when I could not spend time with them," Evans said. "It was a struggle."

Even though she received an associate degree from Northwest in 1972, she felt she was not finished. Evans pushed on, and worked toward a degree in child and family studies. She said the classes in her major helped her in her job as a preschool teacher at St. Francis Preschool.

"The classes taught me what was developmentally acceptable for each age group," Evans said. "I learned a lot from the teachers, especially Dr. Peggy Miller. She was a great role model and motivator."

She also learned in other ways, like being introduced to new cultures and experiences.

"I enjoyed interacting with the faculty and students," Evans said. "We learned from each other, and shared each other's goals and struggles."

Evans was impressed with University students. She found her classmates were dedicated and felt comfortable going to them with questions about the library and other academic worries.

"I was nervous about going back to school," Evans said. "But the students I met were helpful and encouraging."

Evans was not sure what she would do after she received her degree.

"I did not know," Evans said. "Since my husband was a teacher at the high school, we planned on staying in Maryville."

Though unsure of the future, she was confident. Her college career was difficult, but Evans stayed motivated.

"It would be great to follow through and reach my goals," Evans said.

Over the years, Evans learned how to better serve God. She was determined to fulfill Christ's purpose for her.

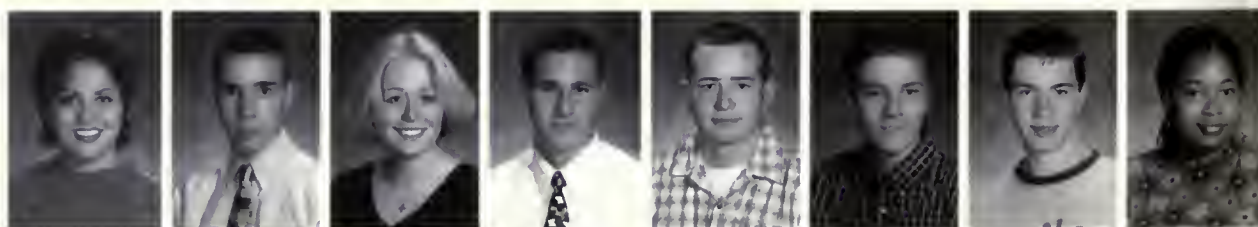
"I was discovering it more every year," Evans said. "I tried to live according to God's biblical standards. As a Christian, it was a priority to glorify him."

Evans described herself as someone constantly striving to improve herself.

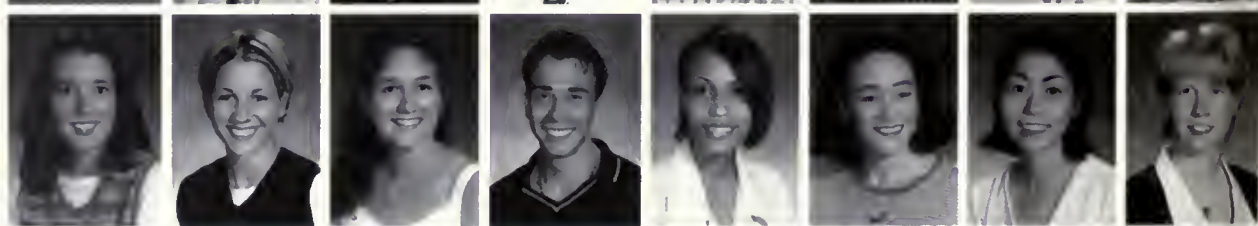
"I was seeking to improve myself in every way," she said. "It was important to be a better mother, wife, employee and to continue developing my relationship with God."

Evans managed for more than 10 years without a college degree. But she was not easily satisfied. Evans would only accept her personal best.

Michelle Murphy
Thomas Murphy
Caroline Murr
Christopher Murr
Jonathan Murr
Mark Murray
Michael Murray
Satrena Murray



Cara Mustain
Alison Myers
Hilary Myers
Jason Myers
Darline Myrtill
Brandi Naden
Kaori Nagai
Miranda Nagel



Maria Nanninga
Munaba Nasiro
Amy Nathias
Lincoln Ndegwa
Kurt Neely
Allison Neibling
Edith Neliz
Adam Nelson





Residence Hall Association Executive Board

- Encouraged spirit of community within the residence halls

Front Row: Amy Carpenter, Jenna Rhodes and Jamie Gaston.
Row 2: Ryan Gove, Scott Evans, Becky Kondas, Kari Sperber,
Jealaine Vaccaro and Kenneth Nakano. Back Row: Adviser
Matt Baker, Jason Gibson, Troy McDaniels, Bill Terry,
Andrew Saeger and Shawn Sandell.



Roberta/Perrin Staff

- Senior Honor Society

Front Row: Heather Ange, Missy Cram, Amy Thornburg,
Tess Narciso and Carrie Cleland. Back Row: Jill Ritchie,
Jeannette Ferguson, Christine Grier and Amanda Davis.



Sigma Alpha

- Sorority for women interested in agriculture
- Participated in Homecoming and Greek Week

Front Row: Stephanie Zeilstra, Erika Hutson, Julie Schmitter,
Jody Wilson, Terri Kurrelmeyer, Rebekah Frost, Carrie
Sullivan and Emily Rippe. Row 2: Catherine Pardun, Jennifer
Johannaber, Rhonda Rushton, Kyla Kaetzel, Krystal Harpole,
Sara Rogers, Beth Greunke and Laura Brown and Misty
Richmond. Row 3: Andrea Finney, Renee Rhodus, Alicia
Fagg, Mendy Wilson, Miranda Nagel, Erin Obermeyer,
Joanna Bayer and Erin Gilmore. Back Row: Ronetta Waddell,
Janelle Bills, Tiffany Quillen, Kari Eck, Amy Smith, Susan
Vincent, Katie Parpart and Farrah Herbert.



Amy Nelson
April Nelson
Katie Nelson
Liana Nelson
Cheryl Neuhaus
Jennifer Newell
Stephen Newhouse
Rachel Nichols

Stephen Nichols
Christopher Nicholson
Kelly Nicholson
Michelle Nicholson
Barbara Nickless
Gwen Nickolaion
Jennifer Niese
Kristi Niklasen

Kelly Nolan
Nathaniel Norgren
Matthew North
Cedric Norton
Matthew Nosal
Jenni Nourse
Elizabeth Nowiszewski
Mmihaku Nwoye



ALMOST ABLE TO walk, Braydn watches Brandi prepare lunch for Bryce and herself. Although not walking yet, Braydn easily got around by crawling. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AT LUNCH, BRAYDN is served mashed bananas by his father. During the meal, Braydn was almost successful in feeding himself. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AFTER LUNCH, BRANDI gives Braydn a bath and dresses him for the day. To make ends meet Bryce and Brandi worked during the summer and once a month at the Cameron Wal-Mart. *Photo by Amy Roh*



WHILE BRANDI PREPARES Braydn's lunch, he is entertained by Bryce. The Kempers, 19, had to grow up quickly when Braydn was born. *Photo by Amy Roh*





24 hours

Non-Traditional Students

Every student entering college faced new responsibilities. Bryce and Brandi Kemper had to face a challenge unique from other students when Brandi became pregnant.

The arrival of their son Braydn changed their lives but not their goals.

After their son was born, both Brandi and Bryce stayed in school. They realized it would be more beneficial in the end.



WHILE BRANDI GIVES
Braydn a bath, Bryce does
research for a paper
Sharing household

responsibilities allowed both of them to
study and complete homework. *Photo*
by Amy Roh



THE FINAL DAY of his fall Introduction to Literature night class, Bryce Kemper shows all he has learned in his class by taking a final. Finals week was both a stressful and time consuming for both Bryce and Brandi. *Photo by Jason Myers*



CLASSWORK AND CHILD rearing are both time consuming but Bryce and Brandi Kemper were able to devote time to each other. Although they had to make sacrifices the Kempers found staying in college would pay off. *Photo by Amy Roh*





24 hours

Non-Traditional Students

Time management was a skill Bryce and Brandi Kemper had to perfect when their son Braydn was born. The Kempers had to juggle both raising a child and working toward their diplomas after deciding to stay in school.

Bryce and Brandi were both enrolled in 12 credit hours and managed their time so while one of them was in class the other was home with Braydn.

Raising a child and juggling classes, Bryce and Brandi both knew what joy would come when their hard work paid off with college degrees.



AFTER BRAYDN'S BATH he plays with the remote control while Brandi puts lotion on him. Bryce and Brandi both took 12 credit hours a semester so they would have enough time to devote to Braydn. *Photo by Amy Roh*



WITH CHORES COMPLETE, Brandi takes a break from working to play with Braydn. As young parents, the Kempers had to make a lot of sacrifices. *Photo by Amy Roh*

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Appearances

by Michelle Krambeck

prove irrelevant

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Becca Minton was a student who left an impression. After all, there were not many women with short blue hair.

Minton, originally from San Francisco, said attitudes were different in the Midwest.

"Basically, the mentality here was different than what I was used to," Minton said. "I did not come from the Midwest, so it seemed strange to me. People got so appalled by my hair. People were so attached to their hair, and I had never had that. When I died it blue, it just had to do with my mood and, possibly, a little rebellion. It had never been for reaction, I did it for myself. I thought it was crap that people expected other people to look a certain way, people should not have had such an issue with it. A conformist I was not."

Minton, a music education major, joined the group Rape Is Going To Have To Stop.

RIGHTS existed to educate the campus on rape prevention and what to do if a person was raped. The group was interested in more involvement from men on the campus.

"We would have loved to have more guys involved," Minton said. "Rape was not just a female issue, although society sometimes (wanted) us to believe that."

A RIGHTS event Minton was proud of was a vigil at the Bell Tower during The Week Without Violence. The event fell the week after a Wyoming student, Matthew Shepard, was killed in a violent act of hatred because he was homosexual. RIGHTS worked with the Young Women's Christian Association to put on the vigil.

Minton's career goals included both helping people and music. In high school, her band director persuaded her to pursue a career in music therapy, which was a way to soothe children and help them work out aggression through music.

"I just decided I could not live without music or without helping people," she said.

With a helping hand, Minton proved with her career goals and involvement in RIGHTS that appearances did not effect a person's desire to assist others.

AS A MEMBER of RIGHTS, Becca Minton helped educate the campus about rape prevention. She also participated in a candlelight vigil at the Bell Tower to promote The Week Without Violence. *Portrait by Sarah Phipps*



Uzoamaka Nwoye
Erin O'Brien
Minnetta O'Neil
Erin Obermeyer
Lorie Oleary
Ira Oliver
Amber Olney



Heather Ortman
Nick Oswald
Melissa Ough
Robert Owen
Charles Pack
Stacy Page
Nikki Pagliai
Darren Papek
Catherine Pardun



Todd Parker
Polly Parsons
Mark Partise
James Paschal
Angela Patton
Amy Paxton
Brooke Payne
Jessica Payton



Sigma Alpha Iota

- International music fraternity for women
- Supported the music department by ushering at all recitals
- Hosted Province Day, an event that encouraged members throughout the state to unite and further the International Interests of music

Front Row: Julia Bookless, Sarah Thomas, Camilla Geuy, Ashley Dougan, Elise Gutshall, Sarah LaBarr and Courtney Yeager. Row 2: Sarah Meyer, Carey Mills, Karen Kirby, Sarah McCurdy and Megan Van Alstine. Row 3: Amanda Graham, Kourtney Strade, Sarah Smith, Gillian Sterago, Melissa Reidlinger and Megan Brixey. Back Row: Megan Allbaugh, Tiffany Loefer, Amanda Mendon, Melody Alford and Jennifer Hamilton.



Sigma Pi Sigma

- An organization devoted to academic achievement, community service, campus leadership and intramurals
- Sponsored Expanding Horizons Lecture series
- Sponsored Celebration of Quality Symposium

Front Row: Peggy Marriott, Devin Warrington, Jeanne Swarnes and Dakota Derr. Row 2: Tonya Coffelt, Jennifer Daake, Laura Pearl, Nichole Gottsch, Kim Wall, Sarah Hambrecht, Geri Jennings and Aimee Lambert. Row 3: Les Clark, Lynsi Rahorst, Brian Dorn, Kevin Schlomer, Stefanie Rentie, Barbara Heusel, Amy Abplanalp and Misty Durham. Back Row: Andrew Saeger, Laura Campbell, Sean Griffin, Michael Hobbs, Christopher Farmer, Becky Miller, April Griffith and Sarah Bohl.



Sigma Society

- All women community service organization
- Baby-sat for Eugene Field, organized food and clothing drive, provided Thanksgiving dinner for local families

Front Row: Amy Donald, Amber Holman, Carrie Henderson and Kristi Hamilton. Back Row: Nesrin Bakir, Jessica Schuning, Nikki Giza and Ann Hudson.



Thomas Peacher
Cristina Peacock
Laura Pearl
Matthew Pearl
Nick Peasley
Nicki Pebley
Jennifer Peek
Jason Pennington

Gabe Perry
Melanie Peters
Jessi Peterson
Tiffany Peterson
Summer Petralie
Allie Petree
Abbey Pettit
Katherine Phillips

Marc Pick
Melynda Pickrell
Kelly Pierson
Amanda Plummer
Julie Polc
Cassandra Poll
Justin Pollard
Natalie Porterfield

Sigma Tau Delta

- Academic Honor Society dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the English language and literature
- Held fund-raisers, round table discussions, attended poetry and fiction readings

Front Row: Lesley Thacker, Chanda D. Funston and Alethea Fale. Back Row: Sam Ferris, David Leaton and Jon Baker.



Society of Professional Journalists

- Organization designed to inform students and the community of issues involving the media and world of journalism

Front Row: Adviser Jody Strauch, Sara Ramsey, Anne McCarthy, Margie Kosman, Stephanie Clarkin, Amanda Scott and Kimberly Mansfield. Row 2: Tim Wheeler, Lisa Huse, Sarah Phipps, Erica Smith, Katie Wahler, Emily Vaughn and Jason Myers. Back Row: Becky Miller, Kristi Coan, Ken Wilkie, Kelsey Lowe and Jackie Tegen.



Steppers Dance Team

- Performed at all home football and basketball games
- Actively supported Northwest athletics throughout the year

Front Row: Stacy Masters, Mollie Boehner, Brylie Burch, Brianne Giles and Andrea Blizzard. Back Row: Molly Wynn, Amy Lunnon, Lisa Hopkins, Amanda Plummer, Stephanie Henley and Cara Calmstock.



David Potter
Amber Potts
Shanna Powers
Laura Prichard
Joshua Probasco
Amy Proehl
Shelley Pruitt
Rebecca Pugh



Amy Pulliam
Michele Purtle
Jill Quast
Kelly Quinn
Rebecca Rademan
Lynsi Rahorst
Kelly Ramsey
Sara Ramsey



Mike Ransdell
Saja Raoof
Rita Rasch
Kelly Rath
Kelli Ratliff
Sarah Reavis
Kyle Rebert
Sue Redelberger



Tragedy causes a refocus of values

by Laura Prichard

Interactive
on CD-ROM

Every day the halls of Ralston High School in Omaha, Neb., were filled with students' faces, and each day Katie Phillips passed each one without a thought.

It was not until she was attending the funeral of a classmate that she realized she knew nothing more than his face. Phillips' was filled with regret that she did not really know her own classmate.

"I remember going to one person's funeral," Phillips said. "He was in my classes, but I did not know anything about him. I regretted not knowing anything about the people I passed every day."

In that same month, Phillips lost two more classmates in separate car accidents. Each remained a face in her mind, yet unknown was what was important to them, what their favorite color was or even what they did on Friday nights.

After teaming up with other students and faculty members, Phillips

planned to help her classmates get to know the three boys who were no longer with them. In her planning she wanted people to remember the students for who they were, and she also wanted their memory to help other students. A memorial scholarship fund seemed to be the ideal tribute.

"I had won multiple leadership awards and cheerleading awards," Phillips said. "Those things were nice, but in 50 years I was going to look back and say, 'Oh, I was a good cheerleader.' (The scholarship) would last. It meant something to more than just me. It meant something to the classmates, the parents of the boys that died and to the person who would win it every year."

By raising money through clubs and organizations at Ralston, they were able to give one scholarship for each of the three boys killed in the car accidents. The criteria for the scholarships represented

the qualities each boy possessed: dedication to church, showing potential and involvement in school activities. Phillips felt this would help the students remember the boys for who they were, rather than just by their names.

Through the deaths of her classmates Phillips learned not to take life for granted.

It also gave her the opportunity to give a gift to other students, and it gave her the gift to reach out to other people.

AT A STUDENT instruction session for Introduction to American Government and Politics, Katie Phillips reads a handout. Phillips started a memorial scholarship for three of her high school classmates who passed away. *Photo by Jason Hoke*



Melynda Reeter
Ryan Rehder
Sarah Rehmann
Elizabeth Reuter
Gayle Reynolds
Scott Reynolds
Jenna Rhodes
Patrick Rice

Stephanie Richard
Chris Richards
Leticia Richardson
Misty Richmond
Jason Ridder
Ranina Riebel
Michelle Riedemann
Audra Riley

William Riley
Emily Rippe
Jill Ritchie
Lashauna Roberson
Christy Roberts
Cindy Roberts
Cindy Roberts
Kevin Robertson

WHILE GREG HARTEN sprays in yard markers, others work on numbers. Before painting the numbers and yard markers the field was painted green. *Photo by Amy Roh*



A TRAIL OF faded yardlines wait as Eric Hueste and Bob Ebrecht progress down the line. Workers had to wait for the early morning dew to dry before they could paint the field. *Photo by Amy Roh*

WITH COMPLETED NUMBERS behind him, Chris Robertson continues down the field to paint. Preparations for the home football games began early in the week. *Photo by Amy Roh*





Inside look at Environmental Services

It took a lot of preparations to get the football field ready for a game. But the game that was played on Dec. 5 was no ordinary game.

The Bearcats were one step away from going to the NCAA Division II playoffs in Florence, Ala., and the field had to be perfect for the game against Texas A&M-Kingsville.

The field crew began preparing for the game on Monday by filing the divits left from the previous game and applying a green paint to make the field look better for the game.

They then painted yard lines and sidelines on the field. Then they had to paint the Bearcat symbols on the field and paint the end zone markers. The final field preparation was to cover the field with a tarp.



AFTER THE "3" is completed, Bob Ebrecht and Eric Hueste carry the stencil to the next 30 yard line. By game time, the stadium was ready to host another Bearcat playoff game. *Photo by Amy Roh*

TENDING TO THE field the Monday after a Bearcat football game, Bob Ebrecht fills divits for the NCAA semifinal game. Ebrecht takes care of the fields before and after the games. *Photo by Jason Myers*

Inside look at Environmental Services

Always working to improve Northwest, Environmental Service workers did just about any job. They landscaped the football field, laid mulch around trees and finished major construction projects. The workers did their best to make Northwest a beautiful campus.

Cutting down old trees to make way for new ones was one of the jobs the service men did to keep campus in tip-top shape.

Putting the finishing touches on the Friendship Wall of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza included sandblasting names of donators on the wall.

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TIME CRAWLS BY as Malcom Eighney etches the donors names in the granite surface of the Friendship Wall. The wall was part of the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza, which was dedicated during Homecoming. *Photo by Jason Myers*





A PROTECTIVE MASK shields Malcolm Eighney from the heat of a blow torch as he sandblasts the Friendship Wall. The wall was a place that names of donators to the Joyce and Harvey White International Plaza were displayed. *Photo by Jason Myers*



POWERING THROUGH EVEN the thickest of branches, Justin Walkup chops up the tree. Enfield's Tree Service was hired by Northwest to tear down some of the older trees around campus. *Photo by Jason Myers*

TREE TRIMMER JUSTIN Walkup splits up a tree into sections after Walkup and his team cut it down. Trees were often cut down on campus to get rid of ones that were diseased or had broken limbs. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Wedding

plans force a busy schedule

by Debbie Bacon

Andrea Burner faced a tough schedule. Not only was she a senior pursuing a middle school education degree with an emphasis in science and social studies, she was busy planning a July wedding.

Burner became engaged July 4, 1998, after being in the relationship for two years. The wedding date was set for July 10, 1999.

Burner went home every weekend to work on the preparations of the wedding and all the essentials, such as wedding invitations and reserving the church.

"It was really hard to organize the wedding with school in progress," Burner said. "Everything was okay once the church was reserved."

Burner spent most of her winter break working out the details for the wedding. Before then Burner only had her dress picked out. The dress was white, beaded and sleeveless with a train. She decided her colors to be indigo and silver.

To relieve the stress of making so many arrangements and have fun, Burner enjoyed outdoor activities. Burner said that on weekends she often went to the Lake of the Ozarks with her family, who owned a house by the lake. While at the lake, Burner went waterskiing, boating and swimming. On dry land she enjoyed sand volleyball.

Even while on vacation, Burner opted for an outdoor adventure. One vacation was spent whitewater rafting in Colorado.

Burner and her fiance planned to reside in Independence, Mo., where she would student teach. After that she planned to look for a job.

"I wanted to be teaching science," Burner said. "I liked fifth grade the best. They were old enough to understand labs, but they were still kids. They had not reached the mind-set of middle school kids yet, which could be snobby."

Upon graduation, Burner looked forward to her coursework ending, so she could focus on her wedding.

TO MAKE PREPARATIONS for her upcoming wedding, Andrea Burner checks out ideas in bridal magazines. Burner planned her upcoming wedding and finished college at the same time. *Photo by Jennifer Meyer*



Jill Robinson
Tory Robinson
Amy Rodgers
Leslye Rogers
Amy Roh
Beth Roling
Kara Rollins
Michael Ronchetto



Kerri Roy
Jessica Rupiper
Lesley Rush
Rhonda Rushton
Stacy Rushton
Andrew Saeger
Elaine Sage
Steven Salcedo



Chad Sampson
James Sampson
Stacy Sanchelli
Thomas Sanchez
Shane Sandau
Shawn Sandell
Stacy Sands
Geneva Sarni





Student Advisory Council, Student Support Services

- Provided leadership opportunities and enhanced social interaction

Front Row: Karen Casey, Melissa Drydale, Jill Maeder and Wendy Dakan. Row 2: Kim Lunbok, Tonya Coffelt, Becky Peters, Elaine Schafer, Melissa Reidlinger, Angela Mittan and Scott Ellis. Back Row: Eva Hart, Aleesha Barcus, Scott Mullen, Ethan Brown, Robert Owen, Jenny DeBuhr, Lisa Slater and Heidi Boehm.



Student Ambassadors

- Campus tour program
- Helped with Family Day, Sneak Preview and Advantage Week

Front Row: Karen Barmann, Travis Dimmitt, Katie Eidson, Amanda Buttler, Justin Engelhardt, Sarah Hambrecht, Kazadi Katambwa and Kristina Wilburn. Row 2: Mendy Wilson, Cindy Carrigan, Michelle Ludwig, Saja Raoof, Jennifer Rule, Stefanie Rente and Michele Beisel. Back Row: Rita Delsignore, Carissa Cureton, Jennifer Simler, Bryan Grow, Megan Johnson, Mark Rinehart, Mindy White, George Gordon and Jennifer Waldron.



Student Association for Multicultural Education

- Participated in multicultural quiz bowl and taste of cultures
- Helped raise donations for food bank

Front Row: Kate Carrel, Jenna Rhodes and Jamie Miller. Row 2: Sheri Butler, Joshua Smith, Jennifer Sullivan and Dena Hotmer. Back Row: Bonnie Shankle, Stanley Koehler and Patricia Maturure.



Kim Scarborough
Arian Schaefer
Brian Schaefer
Elaine Schaefer
Lisa Schartel
Nick Schenck
Rebecca Schilling
Hope Schloman

Kevin Schlomer
Teresa Schlueter
Stephani Schmidt
Buster Schrage
Robert Schreiber
Anthony Schreiner
Mandi Schultes
Melissa Schutz

Karl Schweigel
Amanda Scott
Dan Scott
Jennifer Scott
Allison Sears
Maria Seebeck
Katie Seeger
Virginia Seel

Officiating

by Sara Ramsey

provides experience for future

A 4.0 grade point average, responsibilities as a member of the track team and participation in several campus activities and honor societies may have seemed like too much for one person to handle, but **Misty Campbell** managed and still found free time to do what she loved—officiating middle school and high school volleyball and basketball games.

Campbell felt her experiences as an official were beneficial to her future career.

"Since I was going to be a teacher, I was seeing a lot of different schools and different environments," Campbell said. "I had earned a lot of respect by officiating."

The experiences, according to Campbell, were beneficial to herself as well.

"I had met a lot of people and probably bettered myself because I felt like I was a leader," Campbell said. "It was very rare to see a woman official."

Besides officiating athletic events, Campbell was a member of Northwest's track team for three years. She achieved the status of All-American each of those years. She said her final season was particularly memorable.

"I pretty much pushed myself through the summer—lifted a lot and started out the season real strong," Campbell said. "I qualified for nationals my first meet out and pretty much had a great indoor season. I got second at the conference."

AS SHE CALLS a play, Misty Campbell officiates at a Maryville High School game. Campbell believed officiating would be beneficial to her in the future because of the respect she earned. *Photo by Shelley Caniglia*

Her father's appearance at many of her meets showed the closeness the Campbells shared.

Campbell believed the turning point in her life occurred when her younger brother was born.

"I had been the baby for ten years of my life," Campbell said. "It was a pretty emotional time for me, but, at the same time, a growing up period."

Campbell believed this maturity caused her to fulfill expectations of authority.

"I was the way I was because someone expected me to be that way," Campbell said. "I wished I was more apt to say, 'This was what I wanted to do, so I was going to do it.'"

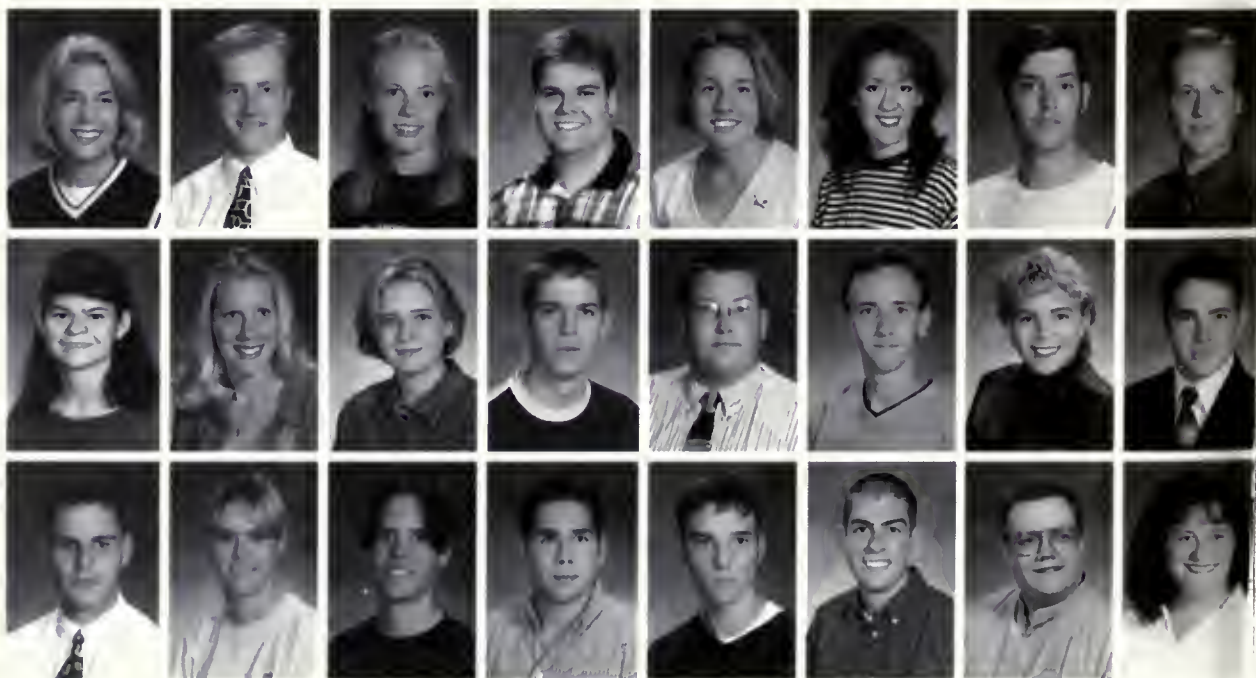
Despite those qualms, Campbell was a successful student, athlete, and said she enjoyed her duties as an official.



Chrissy Seeley
Jason Seeman
Jacque Serflaten
George Sharp
Justin Shaw
Cally Shepherd
Oren Shipers
Nathaniel Shrieves

Donna Shubkagel
Jeanne Sibbensen
Jammie Silvey
Ryan Simmonds
Josh Simmons
Jeffrey Simonson
Janara Sims
Josh Sims

Kevin Singleton
David Skillman
Devin Skillman
Brian Smith
David Smith
Eric Smith
Jeff Smith
Jessica Smith





Student Council for Exceptional Children

- Sponsored parent panel, field trips and volunteer activities
- Offered leadership opportunities

Front Row: Tiffany Wolf, Melissa Bitler and Katherine Weymuth. Back Row: Jamie Britz, Sharla Carter, Jamie Esdohr and Dr. Nancy Riley.



Student Senate

- Governed over all student organizations

Front Row: Jennifer Krause, Melissa Johnson, Jennifer Watson, Traci White, Brandi Hughes, Angel McAdams, Laurie Zimmerman, Jill Cantu, Kelli Mayo, Heather Wardlow and Megan Johnson. Row 2: Tamara Wallace, Stacy Cummings, Walid Johnson, Andrea McNeil, Kate Dettlerolt, Kent Ruehter, Thomas Sanchez, Jennifer Lynch, Shenaz Abreo, Kristin Farley, Jacque Serflaten and Patrice Casey. Row 3: Suzy McWilliams, Nicole Andersen, Stacie McLaughlin, Cara Mustain, Sinan Atahan, Nicole Peterson, Julie Treadman, Andrew Saeger, Bill Terry, Traci Thierolf, Danielle Berlowitz and Jealaine Vaccaro. Back Row: Beth Reuter, Josh Combs, Mandi Coker, Jeremie Picard, Chris Banks, Ben Coffman, Brent Mongar, Benjamin Zugg, Alan Hainkel, Eddie Pelikan, Dan Ayala and Angela Riley.



Tau Phi Upsilon

- Only non-national social sorority at Northwest
- Community service oriented

Front Row: Summer Brown, Andrea Bartels, Tricia Deaver, Teresa Nopoulos, Trina Dunn and Missy Cram. Row 2: Chalene McJunkin, Natalie Anne Wilson, Kim Reitsma, Debbie Gunia, Andrea Smith and Heather Ainge. Row 3: Christine Grier, Mindie Reece, Lori Barnett, Kimberly Mason, Angela Wiederholt, Melissa Klein, Amanda Muller and Gwen Beyer. Back Row: Adviser Dr. Bruce Litte, Vena Meyers, Danielle Bice, Elizabeth Kohmetscher, Candi Briggs, Ruth Biswell and Maggie Rice.



Jessica Smith
Joshua Smith
Kendra Smith
Kerry Smith
Megan Smith
Michele Smith
Shawna Smith
Justin Smith

Angie Snothers
Nathan Snead
Bradford Snopek
Amber Sondgeroth
Ryan Sorge
Valerine Sparvell
Tiffany Spaulding
Erin Speed

Holle Spellman
Kari Sperber
Matt Spina
Jeff Sporer
Jennifer Spotts
Justin Stacy
Brandon Stanley
Jill Stanley

Maturity

by Matthew Pearl

brings commitment to education

different perspective
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When Ryan Greenlee first came to Northwest in the fall of 1994, the Mexico, Mo., native claimed that for many people, himself included, college was not the wisest step to take immediately following high school graduation.

"I attended for one semester in 1994," Greenlee said. "My performance was not as good as it could have been, so I took two semesters off to work. After that, I re-enrolled and got back into the swing of it."

With a more mature attitude, Greenlee quickly embarked on a more serious quest for knowledge. He became a geography major, thanks to some advice from Dr. Donald Hagan.

"Dr. Hagan encouraged me to go for the geography degree," Greenlee said. "He continued suggesting it to me, and I began to really consider it, so geography became my field."

He had always been interested in science, so a geography major and geology minor seemed to be a perfect fit for Greenlee.

When he was not busy studying the inner and outer workings of the planet earth, Greenlee found time for his favorite hobby, skateboarding. He also made plenty of time to spend with his two Rottweilers, Quentin and Leia.

"Those were my kids," Greenlee said.

Although Greenlee planned to get married in the future, he said he would be perfectly satisfied having a house with a yard and a variety of dogs around in place of children.

Greenlee said he had positive impressions of Maryville and Northwest.

"I liked the small college," Greenlee said. "It was easier to get to know my professors. The computers were also a positive factor."

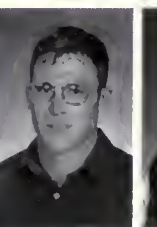
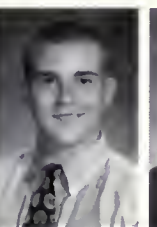
Greenlee's studies, friends, dogs and other interests helped him consider Northwest to be "a good place to get an education."

Despite some hard lessons, he said his experience was good, and the times spent in Maryville made important memories.

A BIG YARD for Ryan Greenlee's two pet Rottweilers Quentin and Leia to run around and play in was something that he hoped to have one day. Greenlee loved his dogs and thought of them as his "kids." *Portrait by Sarah Phipps*



Julie Stanton
David Stark
Kelli Starnes
Julia Steffes
Nathan Steffes
Brian Stevens
Holly Stevens
Melissa Stevens



Mistie Stevens
Pamela Stevens
Mark Stewart
Sonya Stickelman
Keith Stock
Tracy Stochr
Jennifer Stokes
Scott Stoltenberg



Abbey Stone
Nichole Strawn
Nicole Strong
Alison Stubbs
Sarah Studts
Julie Stukenholtz
Melissa Stull
Carrie Sullivan



OLD NAVY



Tower Yearbook

- 1997 Tower was a National Pacemaker Winner awarded by the Associated Collegiate Press/College Media Advisers
- 1998 Tower received Best of Show from CSPA/CMA

Front Row: Kim Parrish, Sarah Phipps, Shelley Caniglia, Lisa Huse, Melissa Breazile, Jason Myers, Debbie Bacon and Sara Ramsey. Row 2: Kaori Nagai, Emily Vaughn, Rhonda Rushton, Kimberly Mansfield, Walid Johnson, Jammie Silvey, Allisha Moss and Amanda Scott. Row 3: Eric Davis, Jennifer Meyer, Mike Ransdell, Kristen Lundgren, Valerie Mossman, Sarah McFarland, Shelley Pruitt, Laura Pearl and Becky Blocher. Back Row: Michelle Krambeck, Laura Prichard, Amy Roh, Jim Davies, Jason Hoke, Brad Brentlinger, Matt Pearl and Derek McDermott.

University Players

- Sponsored University Lab Series productions

Front Row: Adviser Dyann Varns, Jessica Smith, Erin Wallace and Denise Hastings. Back Row: Tiffany Leever, Brandon Thrasher and Sarah LaBarr.

Wesley Student Center

- Participated in state-wide faith and life retreat, National student conference and mission trips

Front Row: Kara Rollins, Beth Fajen and Elizabeth Keane. Row 2: Michelle Zimmerschied, Mark Hornickel, Scott Ware, Wendy Dakan and Lindsay Jones. Row 3: Ben Savage, Erin Avery, Danica Kent, Erica Gilmore, Kate Carlson, Kerry Jones and Kimberly Reese. Back Row: Leslie Ogle, Steve Gilson, Karl Schweigel, Nathaniel Shrieves, Chris Harris, Devin Skillman and Don Ehlers.



Benjamin Sumrall
Michael Sunderman
David Sutphin
Brian Swink
Timothy Sybert
David Szyhowski
Amanda Tackett
Rebecca Talbott



Jeffrey Talmage
Jeff Taylor
Shannon Taylor
Stasia Taylor
Sara Terpstra
William Terry
Jessica Tesmer
Traci Thierolf



Brock Thomas
Rich Thomas
Sarah Thomas
Todd Thompson
Mindy Thorne
David Tilley
Shelby Tillman
Luke Tingley





Local Talent

II Gallon Red energizes the crowd with their lively music at the beer garden outside of the Palms. Local bars often sponsored bands from the Maryville area. *Photo by Jason Myers*

Divisions

encourage lifelong goals

by Brad Brentlinger

Lanetta Heller knew from the time she was young that she would most likely end up at Northwest.

"I grew up in Maryville, and my dad worked at Northwest as the warehouse supervisor," Heller said. "I automatically got half off on my tuition, so it was kind of hard not to apply."

Heller chose to stay in Maryville to attend Northwest. Heller did not even apply to other schools.

Growing up in Maryville proved to be somewhat difficult as Heller got older. She began to notice the town was divided.

"I lived on the east side of Maryville, which was referred to as the 'poor side,' and I really felt growing up that I did not have the same opportunities as did the kids that lived on the so-called 'west side,'" Heller said. "In middle school there seemed to be a lot of resentment toward the kids that were from the 'east side.' The sporting teams were never fair. Even in high school, although the kids had grown up some, they were still negative towards us."

Despite Maryville's size, Heller felt different brackets in society were evident.

"The people that lived in Maryville were very friendly, but if you really wanted to see the division, go to Maryville High School and observe," Heller said. "At lunch you could literally walk in the lunchroom and pick out the kids that were from certain sections of the town."

Heller was majoring in child and family studies and minoring in sociology. She aspired to become a social worker.

"I grew up on the poor side of town and felt that I had an understanding toward people that were hard off, and I also understood what it was to do without," Heller said.

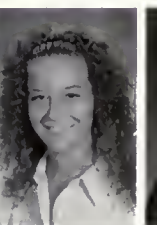
Heller's plans were to move to a bigger city once out of college to gain experience as a social worker.

While adversity was something Heller was accustomed to, she chose not to let it rule her life.

AS LANETTA HELLER crochets a couch cover, she follows the steps her grandmother taught her. Heller said she enjoyed crocheting because it helped her relax. *Photo by Amy Roh*



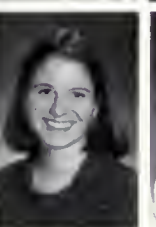
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Brandy Toma
Lindy Tomlinson
Ryan Tompkins
James Toothman
Tascha Torgeson
Julie Treadman
Tiffany Trokey
Tracey Turner



Shannon Tuttle
Craig Ulrich
Robin Updegraff
Lena Uptgraft
Andrea Ury
Megan Uthe
Jealaine Vaccaro
Darbie Valenti
Megan Van Alstine
Carrie Van Hoose



Amber Van Wyk
Gretchen Vander Ecken
Greg Vandike
Nic Vasquez
Emily Vaughn
Carrie Veal
Jeremy Viles
Ment Vincent
Megan Vogl
Mike Vonnahme





Alpha Gamma Rho New Members

•Hosted 4-H basketball tournament

Front Row: Jason Foland, Shawn Malter, Brett Adams and Alex Beatty. Row 2: Kendell Vorthmann, Tyler Williams, Justin Pollard, Justin Dammann and Casey Schwieter. Back Row: Rich Thomas, Brett Wellhausen, Kyle Hansen, Dustin East and Justin Stoler.



Alpha Gamma Rho Actives

•Hosted annual steershow

Front Row: Josh Simmons, Kevin Melcher and Tom Fenner. Row 2: Heath Carlson, Trevor Smith, Rich Blackburn and Phil Claypole. Row 3: Chad Sampson, Anthony Schreiner, Justin Wulff and Amend Sealine. Back Row: Dan Buckman, Jason Kable, Bill Koile and Jason Dent.



Alpha Gamma Rho Executive Board & Seniors

•Highest fraternity grade point average

Front Row: Duane Jewell, Mark Putney, Josh Wall, Nathan Moyer and Bill Lymer. Row 2: Jim Davis, Justin Keller, Ryan Kinsella, Jesse Cass, Colin Johnson and Jason Price. Back Row: Chad Belfield, Michael Waigand, Chris Veatch, Ben Dohrman and Pat Holloway.



Alpha Kappa Lambda

•Hosted Easter Egg hunt with Delta Zetas for Head Start Kids annually
•Sponsored a car bash for Cystic Fibrosis, helped elderly with yardwork and snow removal

Front Row: Thomas Peacher Jr., James Osalkowski, J. Ryan Deal, Damian Farns, Chris Zaner, Kory Harbour, Kevin Singleton and Ben Coffman. Row 2: Chris Banks, Eric Nolan, Brian Grant, Cody Lewis, Chris Pate, Lonnie Bradford, Ryan Feltz, Jason Pennington and Jeff Taylor. Row 3: Dave DiBernardo, Brad Weaver, Jason Tomlinson, Jonathan Brancato, Ethan Brown, Scott Goodrich, Adam Burke, Dan Ward, Scott Kamrath and Darren Power. Back Row: Chad Curphy, Ryan Goddard, Mike Mohrhauser, Jason Ridder, Eric Zinnert, Mark Jurado, Brian Ross, Matt Armstrong, Matthew Demoss and Brian Froelker.

Alpha Sigma Alpha New Members

- Volunteered for the Special Olympics
- Were companions at the Maryville Health Center

Front Row: Alison Myers, Carrie Lewis, Amy Jesse, Jane Marie Clark, Lindsay Jilka, Pawn Lamansky, Amanda Krael, Brandy Toma and Emily Erhard. Row 2: Audra Riley, Rebecca Rademan, Melissa Lullmann, Sarah Boddicker, Sarah Vice, Brooke Hansen, Jill Johnson and Jill Citta. Row 3: Colleen Ganey, Julie Coney, Heather McCubbin, Katie Danahay, Kristin Lafrentz, Jenni Nourse, Gayle Reynolds, Shannon Knierim, Christina Lolli, Nicole Freis and Justin Shaw. Back Row: Ellen Arseneau, Jill Nieman, Katie Threlkeld, Katie Smith, Jennifer Lentz, Traci Thierolf, Cara Hall, Julie Gutschenritter, Jenny Peace, Lisa Hopkins and Cara Corum.



Alpha Sigma Alpha Actives

- Celebrated 70th anniversary

Front Row: Dianna Cooke, Sarah Hambrecht, Karen Hagen, Erica Monjaraz, Amanda Walker, Natalie Harbin and Jeni Kenyon. Row 2: Jennifer Rule, Molly Strait, Amy Miller, Carrie Knight, Angie Schuler, Sarah Smith, Karleen Myers, Elizabeth Ezra, Melissa Cole, Brianna Mares, Kerry Tankesley and Stephanie Mackey. Row 3: Dana Brown, Lesley Daniel, Amanda Ploetner, Gina Hayes, Angie Tolle, Megan Sharpe, Stacie Trout, Mandy Johnson, Shanna Powers, Erika Baker, Kelly Nourse and Shauna Collins. Back Row: Megan Johnson, Julie Stukenholtz, Lynsey Robinson, Stephanie Raymond, Stacie Mumm, Jenny Fahlstrom, Amanda Plummer, Kate Counter, Sara Hancock, Susie Zimmerman, Mindy White, Beckey Masonbrink and Lindsay Wood.



Delta Chi Fraternity New Associates

- Won best house decoration competition during Homecoming

Front Row: Jeremy Smith, Shannon Hendrix, Kyle Duer, Josh Flake and Gareth Mayhew. Row 2: Patrick McAsey, Ryan Campbell, Shannon Gardner, Trevor Stille, Nick Schenck and Doug Worswick. Back Row: Justin Krecker, Brian McGraw, Ben Bruggemann, Josh Shields and Nick Gutshall.



Delta Chi Fraternity Actives

- Won chariot race during Greek Week

Front Row: J. D. Hood, Brett Wiklund, Jason Rea, Dwayne Saucier, Nicholas Newberry, Ryan Koom, Jeff Bailey, Tim Anderson, Jason Waldman, Andy Powell and Nathan Weipert. Row 2: Andy Armbruster, Chad Cory, Jeff Bradley, Eric Roberts, Emre Zengilli, Matt Mason, Zachary Gray, Anthony Edelen, Joel Dickes, Josh Collingwood and Tyler Mackey. Row 3: Sean Hurst, Jeff Debourge, Aaron Lewis, Michael Vinson, Sinan Atahan, Cory Bailey, Jeremy Browning, Ahmet Emre Selimata, Hamilton Henderson, Corey Gillespie, Matthew Stephenson and Scott Dillenschneider. Back Row: Brian Cooley, Barry Audsley, Jason Taylor, J.W. McCubbin, Jon Mueller, Andrew Venn, Andrew Alloway, Rob Ross, George Booth, David Thompson, Mark Dillenschneider and David Douglass.





Memories

revisited in sorority anniversary

by Jason Hoke

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Years of tradition and memories were shared when the Northwest chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha held their 70th anniversary celebration.

Lindsay Wood was one of the members who participated in the festivities at the University Conference Center. The event included a luncheon, skit performances and singing of old and new Alpha songs.

"It was a lot of fun to see the older—we had a lot of older Alphas come and to see them come all the way back to Maryville," Wood said. "Like one lady took a taxi from somewhere in Kansas to get back. I thought that it was neat to see they still cared about the Alphas."

When Wood decided to come to Northwest, neither her parents nor the fact that her mom was an Alpha at Southwest Missouri State University influenced her decision to join the sorority or which university to attend.

But it was evident to Wood that, even though her mother did not let it show too much, she was happy that Wood became an Alpha.

"I thought she tried not to act really excited, but

I thought she was," Wood said. "She gave me her Greek Week T-shirts from the 1970 somethings. She was always digging up old Alpha pictures or stickers to give to me."

Wood, a sophomore, from Gladstone, Mo., rushed Alpha when she was a freshman and was given some advice from her mother.

"From the very beginning of Rush, my mom told me when I came up here to keep my mind open and if there was another sorority that I liked then go for it," Wood said. "From the very first party Alpha stuck with me the most, and I felt very comfortable there."

Her experiences in the sorority were not the only thing Wood believed would help her in the future. Wood was an undecided major, but thought she might consider business and said connections she could make as an Alpha would help her later in life.

"Several years down the line, when you were looking for a job, there could be an Alpha working at the same place, so it gave you different connections all over," Wood said.

With tradition and sisterhood shaping the first 70 years of Alpha history at Northwest, Wood chose to make the sorority her connection to Northwest and follow in her mother's footsteps.

AT THE 70TH Anniversary celebration for Alpha Sigma Alpha, older members look at pieces of memorabilia that the Alphas displayed. Alphas spent the day sharing memories and songs from the past. *Photo by Jason Hoke*



Kendell Vorthmann
Ronetta Waddell
Chad Waddoups
Katie Wahler
Anne Walker
Kimberly Wall
Laura Wall
Erin Wallace

Gracie Wallace
Stephanie Wallace
Tamara Wallace
Angela Waller
Rebecca Waller
Elizabeth Walters
Seth Wand
Scott Ware

Anthony Warren
Joy Warren
Jeanna Waterman
Melinda Watkins
Jennifer Watson
Jennifer Watts
John Watts
Katie Wear

Delta Sigma Phi

- Organized March of Dimes Homeless Sleep-out
- Helped Phi Mu with mentally and physically handicap dance

Front Row: Dave Ruzicka, Chris Jones, Kellen Weissenbach, Mike Nihsen, Michael Robertson and Thomas Cooper. Row 2: Josh Johnson, Jason Witzke, Chad Holmes, Shawn Walsh, Bill McElheny, Jason Callies, Bruce Dunlap, Trevor Ballard and Ryan Geiter. Row 3: Chad Rea, Greg Howdeshell, John Sealock, David Scheet, John Welton, Nick Larson, Robert Fuller, Chad Gastler and Jay Williams. Back Row: J. R. Cook, Steven Andrews, Dustin Colvin, Tim Correll, Chad Johnson, Tony Arreguin, Chris Consiglio, Bryan Severin, Jeremy Jones and Sean Duvall.



Delta Zeta

- Participated in Head Start Easter egg hunt

Front Row: Jennifer Heermann, Teryn Ebert, Christy Allen, Ginny Edwards, Jenny Sampson and Alicia Johnson. Row 2: Holle Spellman, Kieli Berding, Amy Smith, Brandy Vandiver, Jen Ensley, Cindy Roberts, Shelley Caniglia, Mandy Petersen, Emily Vaughn, Jennifer Bartlett, Hilary Smith, Kim Gilbert, Cherie Wilson, Kelly Gerot, Christina Norman and Melinda Howerton. Row 3: Shelia Arnold, Stephanie Baker, Carrie Epp, Kristin Cummings, Angela Maasen, Kim Arndorfer, Jennifer Nervig, Meghan Dunning, Staci Graham, Bethany Kallio, Rita DeSignore, Julie Treadman and Jodi Hurley. Back Row: Beckey Kavadas, Ann Brady, Julie Polc, Natasha Pointer, Beverly Akin, Erin Avery, Dominique Blanchard, Jennifer Munroe, Jill Ebmeier, Nicole Andersen, Barbara Seymour, Suzy McWilliams, Ginger Langemeier and Angel McAdams.



Kappa Sigma

- Hosted Dream Girl with proceeds benefitting the American Cancer Society
- Multiple Sclerosis walk-a-thon

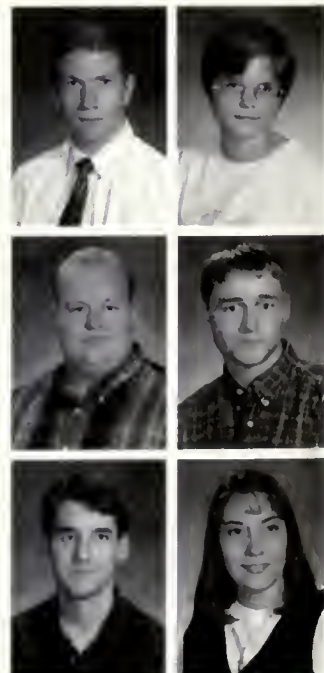
Front Row: Troy Teague, Craig Piburn, Ben Sumrall, Dave Ashbrook, Matt McCleish, and Ripton Green II. Row 2: Sean Humphrey I, Jason Tarwater, John Williams, Todd Kenney, Chris Goll and Matt Nosal. Row 3: Loren Messer, Corey Sweat, Shaun Branham, Adam Kralik, Caleb Pearson and Travis Jaques. Back Row: Todd Huntley, Kyle Niemann, Brian Major, Stanley Koehler and Neal Aiken.



Phi Mu New Members

- Won overall clown, paper mache during Homecoming

Front Row: Leslie Crane, Steph Burkett, Courtney King, Mandy Benge, Marianne Miller, Melissa Bitter, Laura Moore, Mandi Schultes, Kelli Ratliff, Edith Veliz and Jill Cantu. Row 2: Summer Petralie, Angie Dunnaway, Andrea Cooper, Allison Nixon, Lindsay Mills, Lisa Fraser, Christy Roberts, Andrea O'Rourke, Jenny Harris and Rachel Wand. Row 3: Nichole Blanchard, Emily Jacobsen, Lindy Tomlinson, Julie Sajevic, Jennifer Daake, Tiffany Gregg, Kirsten Amundson, Hilary Morris, Tiffany Trokey and Stephanie Henley. Back Row: Brooke Payne, Crystal Beckham, Amy Lunnon, Maggie Schneider, Stephani Schmidt, Rachel Miller, Mindy Townsend, Jennifer Allevan, Ricci Miller and Jessie Koehn.





Diversity

encourages student to open eyes
by Laura Pearl

reflective
on CD-ROM

Hidden beneath a calm, quiet exterior laid a creative and outgoing freshman art education major whose motivation and strength brought her to Northwest to fulfill her aspirations.

That willpower pushed Katie Church onward in daily life, helping her deal with obstacles and challenges and allowing her to shape her small-town perceptions into applicable beliefs in the real world.

Church's small-town background began with her birth in Atlantic, Iowa, and continued throughout her life. She moved to Griswold, Iowa, when she was 18.

Upon entering Northwest, Church began to realize the lack of diversity her isolated hometown provided. She found she suddenly was being exposed to various groups of people that she had seldom associated with or even seen back in her little town.

Church adapted to the size of Northwest quite easily, seeing as it was a small college.

She found her niche at the University by working with artwork, an endeavor Church had been involved with since junior high school. Drawing proved to be her favorite class because of her deep desire to sharpen this inherent skill. She decided to focus on this favorite area to cope with subjects she enjoyed less as she pursued her course of study.

Church did not feel strongly about working in any certain location after earning her degree, but possessed a firm desire of what area she wished to focus her teaching.

"I would have liked to become a (kindergarten through grade 12) art teacher," Church said.

That desire and self-motivation to be a part of children's lives possibly stemmed from Church's family background. Growing up, she dealt with one brother and two sisters and had many opportunities to develop her own identity.

Social aspects of college proved to be a primary source of enjoyment for Church. She liked listening to music, usually alternative, and watching movies.

IN INTRODUCTION TO Graphic Design, Katie Church prepares to put her project on the viewing rail. Church's assignment was to take an everyday object and create a painting from it. *Photo by Jason Hoke*

Church took the initiative to receive the background she hoped would help her achieve status as an art teacher.



Brad Weaver
Amanda Webb
Kristi Wedlock
Christa Weinand
Brett Wellhausen
Dustin Wells
Alicia Wendel

Trevor Wendt
Russell Wenz
Cheri Westphal
Kary Weybrew
Seth Wheeler
Casey Whitaker
Philip Whitaker

Corey White
Danae White
Deanna White
Jennie White
Kerry White
Traci White
Ryan Whiting

Music

by Amanda Scott

provides theme song for life



From Maryville to Chicago to the Bahamas, **Greg Howdeshell** touched many ears with his jazz and musical talents through the saxophone.

In high school, Howdeshell's parents wanted him to play an instrument instead of football, which did not make him happy.

"I was going to play the drums, but my parents did not want me to because they were too loud," Howdeshell said. "So I was looking into other instruments and decided on the alto sax."

Since seventh grade, music played a major role in his life. When Howdeshell started playing for Northwest, he switched from playing the alto sax to the baritone sax. Howdeshell joined Wind Symphony after a song his Jazz Ensemble played really touched him.

"That song put me into a whole other gear with music," Howdeshell said. "The song was about a man dying of cancer. It was a very emotional song. The dissonance tore at your heart."

For the second year, Howdeshell was in charge of the Jazz Fest. Jazz Fest was a competition for jazz ensembles from different high schools and some middle schools. The two jazz bands at Northwest helped with odd jobs. At the end of the competition, they performed songs of their own. Howdeshell was happy with the way the event went.

"The thing that I liked the most was that everyone went to Jazz Fest to have fun and jam," Howdeshell said. "The people were always laughing."

Upon graduation, Howdeshell wished to work for a computer company and still be somehow involved with music.

"Music was a stress reliever, that was why I wanted to stay in it," Howdeshell said. "I could always have something to look forward to."

Being part of the Jazz Ensemble affected Howdeshell positively.

Jazz played a large role in Howdeshell's life over the years. With a saxophone in one hand and a dream in the other, Howdeshell hoped to be a successful man.



AT A WIND Symphony concert, Greg Howdeshell plays the baritone sax. Howdeshell participated in Wind Symphony, Northwest Jazz Ensemble and was in charge of Jazz Fest, a festival for high schools and middle schools. *Photo by Amy Roh*

Jennifer Whitsitt
Nick Wiederholt
Jenny Wiederholt
Scott Wiley
Megan Wilkerson
Jami Willenborg
Amanda Williams



Damon Williams
Derek Williams
Jennifer Williams
Tyler Williams
Jody Wilson
Mendy Wilson
Natalie Wilson



Sarah Wilson
Elaine Winecoff
Amanda Winter
Jodi Winther
Allison Wittmaack
Soren Wohlers
Lindsay Wood





Phi Mu Actives

- Sponsored three-on-three basketball tournament
- Sponsored Rocking for the Children

Front Row: Kendra Dunlap, Katie Wear, Brooke Moberly, Jen Weipert, Brianne King, Sarah Seeba and Michele Bessel. Row 2: Shannon Flinn, Audra Brackey, Jackie Smith, Kristin Farley, Jennifer Ludwig, Jenny Cline, Melissa Maw, Brylie Burch, Alisha Hyatt, Kari Hogya and Michelle Fish. Row 3: Amber Potts, Michelle Hirl, Laura McMillan, Heather Bross, Whitney Terrell, Stacy Masters, Bridget Little, Jackie Carlson, Julie Stanton, Sarah Stephens, Erica Criner and Laurie Zimmerman. Back Row: Nicholle Hanley, Polly Parsons, Angela Riley, Jaclyn Dierking, Katie Ross, Carrie Herring, Jamie Zerr, Sarah Thurston, Jeanna Waterman, Mary Riley, Becky Bollinger, Heidi Larsen, Heidi Schultz and Nichole Bockover.



Phi Mu Executive Board

- Won first place and People's Choice Award for variety show skit during Homecoming with Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

Front Row: Stacy Sanchelli, Dawn Stritzel, Pam Abild, Cynthia Crook, Tracy Stoehr and Angela Middleton. Back Row: Beth Rasa, Karen Barmann, Megan Foster, Sara Lovely, Cara Comstock, Sarah Studts and Brianne Giles.



Phi Sigma Kappa

- Made annual trip to St. Joseph, Mo., to help run the Special Olympic Track Meet
- Stressed brotherhood, scholarship and character

Front Row: Josh Mason, Casey Beane, Matt Mallen, Justin Engelhardt, Tyson Paape, Jeremy Veraguth and David Stark. Row 2: Thomas Dykstra, Reid Boyer, Chris Norman, Todd Morrison, Tim Childers, Steve Klein, Aaron Hunerdosse and Brook Linderman. Row 3: Jon Canavan, Lee Bird, Ted Place, Alex Berry, Josh Cooper, Josh Simmons, Kyle Stewart, Matt Huster and James Tyrakoski. Back Row: Rance Carlson, Neal Young, Bob Seger, Justin Steitz, Matt Wennstedt, Phil Koch, Jason Seeman and Robert Laflin.



Sigma Phi Epsilon New Associates

- Hosted Bowling with senior citizens at Maryville Chateau

Front Row: Brandon Banks, Cory O'Riley, Nathan Elder, Lee Clinton and Jason Byerley. Row 2: Brad Lahmann, Joey Vinson, Adam Peterson and Dorian Alexander. Back Row: Chad Hellums, Darrin Osborn, David Sutphin, Nick Wills and Jamie Hall.



Sigma Phi Epsilon Actives

- Participated in Teeter-Totter-A-Thon to raise money for ALS for Lou Gehrig's Disease

Front Row: Nick Bowen, Jeff Trammell, Robert Aschentrop, Heath Burch, Mark Pederson, Ryan Dold, Ryan Gillis, Jeff Smith, Michael Spriggs and Ryan Dawson. Row 2: Scott Rutherford, Kraig Robinette, T.J. Shavnore, Chris Riggs, Doug Montgomery, Dustin Barnes, Matt Veon, Ben Prell, Ted Quinlin, Mike Grzywa, Travis Manners and Nick Gooch. Row 3: Jin Brennan, Dave Hughes, Jacob Walter, Jeremy Husen, Tony Galankis, Brandon Matthys, Justin Huntman, Brett Presko, Andrew Vanness, Matt Owings and Todd Rasmussen. Back Row: Justin Burton, Scott Nielson, Keith Scheib, Tom Geary, Bob Jerome, Andrew Gaddis, Todd Mackin, Jesse Page, Brian Wilmes, Lucas McAlpin and Chad Kuehl.



Sigma Kappa New Members

- Participated in Alzheimer's Memory Walk, Maine Sea Coast Mission
- Visited Nodaway County Nursing Home monthly

Front Row: Debbie Bacon, Monica Davis, Becky Wigington, Mistie Stevens and Tiffany Burnes. Row 2: Chrissy Beck, Kate Lutz, Abbey Stone, Lori King, Kathy Bressman, Leslie Abercrombie, Jennifer Harrison and Michelle Cunningham. Row 3: Jodi Coles, Shannon Allen, Tiffany Peterson, Becca Finocchio, Cindy Tjeerdma, Aleesha Barcus, Lesley Hostetter, Tammy Hallgren and Melissa Garner. Back Row: Kristen Huster, Brandie Nobiling, Rebecca Homuth, Liz Lancaster, Amy Hale, Michelle Nicholson, Stephanie McKaig, Regina Iwen and Ellen Bluml.



Sigma Kappa Sorority Actives

- Won Two Star Standards of Excellence National Award

Front Row: Tracy Edwards, Nicole McCune, Jenny Fuller, Raegan Fulmer, Ali McCauley, Kristen Wheeler and Kerri Roy. Row 2: Cara Cudney, Stacie Dowell, Jenny Bayne, Misty Masters, Heather Bontrager, Tammy Buck, Amy Beaver, Tracey Turner and Heather Byrom. Row 3: Tess Miller, Christa Weinand, Rita Rasch, Cristina Peacock, Paige Glidden, Niki Pratt, Amy Randolph, Kristy Cordie, Kristi Benton and Mindy Hayden. Back Row: Lisa Brunke, Brooke Stanford, Jennifer Brincks, Laura Wall, Erin Stein, Mindy Thorne, Charity Chavez, Laura Craft and Stephanie Cook.



Sigma Kappa Executive Board & Seniors

- Senior Honor Society

Front Row: Sarah Alexander, Vanessa Buhrmester, Gayle McIntosh, Jeanne Swarnes, Angie Bayne, Lisa Tjelmeland, Christian Carter and Jenny Boatright. Row 2: Lisa Jensen, Kimberly Sifers, Brandy Holton, Carri Kropf, Kenya Lockamy and Jessica Cassidy. Back Row: Sabrina Peterson, Jill Roasa, Tara Oetter and Michelle Launsby.



Fraternity

by Amanda Scott

provides new friendships

ON CAMPUS
ON CO-OP

Adventurous and fun-loving described Kevin Bayer because he said he was always up for anything.

"I would have tried anything, or done anything, except certain things," said Bayer. "I was just there to have fun. I was always there if anyone ever needed me. I was just a really nice guy."

Bayer, a freshman, planned on majoring in computer science. He changed his mind because the requirements for the major included taking classes such as discrete math and calculus.

Bayer moved to Northwest as an undecided major from Sutton, Neb. The move was a little easier for Bayer because he and his best friend from high school were rooming together.

"We did not necessarily plan it that way," Bayer said. "It just kind of happened."

Bayer's goal was to obtain a bachelor's or master's degree in the field of education.

"Mostly my parents motivated me," said Bayer. "For most jobs you had to go to college to make the big bucks."

Bayer was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa. Involvement in Greek life impacted him in many ways.

"It helped me get good friends," Bayer said. "It also helped improve my grades because they did grade checks and study hours. It made you study."

Finding and keeping new friendships was a main reason Bayer wanted to become part of a fraternity.

"I did it to get to know people because these guys were probably going to be your best friends for the rest of your life," Bayer said.

When Bayer was not busy with Greek life, he enjoyed kicking back and relaxing.

"I liked to watch TV, sit down and relax," Bayer said. "I liked to do things with the guys and party."

Bayer could have been caught listening to some alternative music in his free time but enjoyed other types of music too. He may also have been found watching action movies starring his favorite actors, Steven Segal and Jean Claude Van Damme.

Bayer was not just another face in the crowd at Northwest. He was an easy-going person but took his studies seriously.

AT THE PALMS Kevin Bayer selects a song to listen to from the jukebox. Bayer frequented the Palms and also watched television to relax. *Photo by Jason Myers*



Tiffany Woodward
Kyle Worthington
Matthew Wright
Justin Wulff
Arika Yadasi
Ko-An Yang

Kristen Yehle
Heather Young
Tracy Young
Kristy Youtsey
Christopher Zaner
Allie Zaroor

Lisa Zeigler
Jama Zimmerman
Laurie Zimmerman
Suzanne Zimmerman
Michelle Zimmerschied
Benjamin Zugg

Brotherhood

by Debbie Bacon

defined in two ways

The fraternity bond Chris and Nick Peasley shared strengthened their relationship as biological brothers.

Chris joined Tau Kappa Epsilon in 1995. He became the first fraternity member of his family and served as TKE president in 1998.

Chris, the quieter brother, was more mature and assumed leadership roles, while Nick was more outgoing.

"Leadership roles were not my thing," Nick said. "I would rather have voiced my opinion in other ways."

Chris encouraged Nick to attend college, and also suggested that Nick go through Rush. Chris did not pressure Nick to join TKE; he was more interested in Nick's happiness.

"We could talk (during Rush), but I tried to be like a Rho Chi (an unbiased Rush Counselor)," Chris said. "I asked him what he thought about different things. I tried to stay impartial. A lot of my focus was not to pressure Nick."

After Rush, Nick ended up joining TKE. Chris felt good about Nick's decision.

"I was kind of relieved," Chris said. "I almost felt a sense of pride, too."

After both brothers were in the fraternity, they felt a change in their relationship occur. Before, the two did not spend much time together, but they soon found themselves hanging out, even outside fraternity events.

Nick and Chris felt the characteristics of the two

THE ISLAND DANCE at the Tau Kappa Epsilon annex gives Chris and Nick Peasley a chance to bond. The two were biological brothers and fraternity brothers. *Photo by Jason Hoke*

types of brotherhood differed.

"In the fraternity, they did not hold grudges if people got in a fight," Nick said. "TKEs were more understanding."

Chris and Nick felt there was only one obstacle in the beginning.

"Initially there was a rivalry to prove to everyone we were alike," Chris said.

Nick felt a factor eliminating the possibility of jealousy of other members who may not have had a brother already in the fraternity.

"In my pledge class there were three legacies, so it kind of helped the matter," Nick said.

Chris and Nick were pleased that their bond of TKE brotherhood strengthened their real brotherhood ties. The fraternity brought them two together in ways they never imagined possible.



Sigma Sigma Sigma New Members

•Won house decoration award during Homecoming

Front Row: Rebecca Pugh, Melanie Blando, Julie Cadam, Cassia Kite, Jennifer Berger, Marjorie Kosman, Kari Douglas and Katherine Phillips. Row 2: Shelby Tillman, Christine Stueve, Megan Vogl, Jessica McKenzie, Jessie Glenn, Corrine Moszcynski, Regan Dodd, Adrienne Gevens, Kristy Watson and Jennifer Egger. Row 3: Lindsay Lund, Katy Graber, Candice Mahlberg, Alison Eilers, Pamela Demint, Alina Bostic, Julie Kirk, Kelly Nicholson and Arieana Schaefer. Back Row: Stephanie Hylton, Kate Hansen, Stacey Eichhorn, Hilary Myers, Megan Harris, Jami Willenborg, Mindy Lager and Shelbi Nelson.





Sigma Sigma Sigma Activities

- Hosted Speak Out for Stephanie Walk to make campus and community aware of violent crimes

Front Row: Stacy Sands, Jenny Moore, Allison McClain, Sarah Huffer, Leanne Hartstack, Carrie Elliott, Brooke Klotz and Jamey Dedrickson. Row 2: Susie Redelberger, Kerri Coffman, Kathleen Quarrato, Pamela Lerch, Mollie Boehner, Sarah Reavis, Jessica Dahl, Shannon Taylor and Tonya Coffelt. Row 3: Stefani Spainhower, Jennifer Greene, Michelle Ludwig, Kim Burkemper, Kristi Eklund, Julie Steffes, Charity Richardson, Jennifer Spotts and Nicole Bartosh. Back Row: Kristina Klein, Lisa Zeigler, Casey Hargreaves, Cheryl Soetaert, Jeanne Sibbersen, Jami Daffer, Beth Reuter, MiTasha Heideman and Anna Hall



Sigma Sigma Sigma Seniors

- Raised money for Robble Page Memorial Fund, which was their philanthropy

Front Row: Sherrie Callaway, Sarah Gaston, Ashley Gerken, Michelle Falcon, Debby Grantham and Jennifer Simler. Back Row: Kelly Hudlemeyer, Becky Mellon, Jennifer Waldron, Jamie Hatz, Dianna Neth and Sarah Carr.



Tau Kappa Epsilon New Associates

- Auctioned off members for manual labor, money went to build a new house and philanthropy

Front Row: Coby Henry, Todd Parker, Will Mullins, Tom Murphy and Matt Spina. Row 2: James Toothman, Ryan Tompkins, Mark Partise, RJ Mathews, Kevin Aldred and Jake Akehurst. Back Row: Nathan Steffes, Jay Sampson, Nick Peasley, Sean Beard, Greg Hetrick and Chris Doering.



Tau Kappa Epsilon Activities

- 100th year anniversary of Tau Kappa Epsilon as national organization

Front Row: Colby Mathews, Patrick Trahan, Chris Peasley, Kent Turpin, Bill Eckles and Kurt Gentry. Row 2: Ryan Marnott, Justin Marnott, Jeremy Galloway, Christopher Murr, Kyle Monning, Nathan Honan, Jesse Mora IV and Andy Rogers. Row 3: Seth Swier, Kurt Neely, Jeb Long, Craig Ulrich, Charley Burch, Jon Going, Brian Hyer, Patrick Turner and Tom Stremmlau. Back Row: Ben Haskamp, Joshua Baxter, Jacob DiPietre, Jason Peregrine, Rob Schreiber, Malcom Roberson, Ben Hullman, Jason Washam, David Hornbuckle and Nick Mathews.



Quick Response

Volunteer firefighters relax and cool off after responding to a call about a student's apartment fire on Fifth and Buchanan streets. Extensive fire damage occurred in the home after fire engulfed the attic above Jami Proctor's upstairs apartment. None of the occupants were injured in the blaze.

Photo by Amy Roh



THE VERDICT HEARD AROUND THE WORLD

by Michelle Krambeck

Tasha Beason sat in front of her television set on Friday, Feb. 12, to watch history record itself.

It was a moment she felt compelled to watch. Our country's president was on trial for his office.

There it was, the final moment. The fate of President William Jefferson Clinton was about to be decided. The senators were calling their votes on the two articles of impeachment.

As expected, the Senate voted almost completely along partisan lines. There needed to be a two-thirds majority vote for impeachment—the results instead were 50 for impeachment and 50 for acquittal.

"I was so sick of hearing about oral sex, cigars, Ken Starr, Lewinsky, how ugly Linda Tripp was and what a snake Clinton was," Sarah Radenslaben said. "Was there really nothing in the country, or in the world for that matter, more important than our president's sex life?"

No one could have said how history would have recorded the impeachment of Clinton by Congress and the Senate's acquittal. The bottom line was he remained in office.

While Beason supported Clinton during the scandal, she was not shocked or excited by his acquittal.

"Now, maybe everyone would quit talking about all of that and move onto something more important," Beason said.



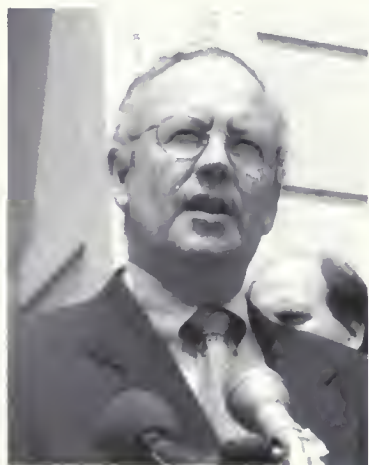
PRESIDENT CLINTON SPEAKS to dozens of ministers, rabbis, imams and priests at the annual White House prayer breakfast Sept. 11. During the breakfast Clinton gave a solemn apology which included his improper

relationship and lying about it. On Feb. 12, after a Senate vote of 55-45 on the charge of perjury and split 50-50 on the obstruction of justice allegation. Photo by Associated Press

REPORTS FUEL TRIAL

by Amanda Scott

Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr sent Congress 36



INDEPENDENT COUNSEL KENNETH STARR speaks to reporters. Photo by Associated Press

sealed boxes of evidence in September. Those boxes, known as the "Starr Reports" triggered a formal impeachment.

Starr accused President Clinton of perjury, obstruction of justice, abuse of power and provided a damaging portrayal of his contacts with Monica Lewinsky and Oval Office secretary Betty Currie. The report also accused Clinton of lying in portions of his grand jury testimony as well as his sworn testimony in the Paula Jones lawsuit.

The Starr report was reviewed by millions, who got to read the testimony of what went on in the White House.

CLINTON'S PUBLIC CONFESSION

by Michelle Krambeck

The American public was glued to their televisions on the night of Aug. 17, when President Clinton addressed the nation and acknowledged an "improper relationship" with Monica Lewinsky.

It started with the story of a 21-year-old intern. Then the public heard denials and jokes leading to the admission of an "improper relationship" televised nationally.

Melissa Cole said the president should have addressed the country sooner and been honest from the start.

"He should have admitted to it in the first place, and it would

not have been so bad," Cole said.

As things progressed, Independent Council Kenneth Starr and more evidence turned up against Clinton, it became obvious to the White House and the American people that the Lewinsky scandal would not go away. Clinton volunteered to testify in front of the grand jury. Following his testimony, he prepared to address the American people and admitted he misled the country.

While everyone had their opinions of the event, it was something no other American president ever had to face. He had to admit to an extramarital affair on television.

GRAND JURY HEARS TESTIMONY

by Amanda Scott

President Clinton's four-hour grand jury testimony saturated television screens all over the nation in September.

During the Monica Lewinsky affair, Clinton committed 11 impeachable offenses.

The tape showed Clinton as sometimes angry and other times expressing bitterness at how the Paula Jones lawsuit started Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's criminal investigation of the Lewinsky matter.

Clinton's exasperation was evident throughout. He cleared his voice andammered as he formed answers to some questions.

Voting on investigation toward impeachment was set for two weeks after the showing. Congress set Oct. 9 as its target adjournment date.

Jenny Fuller said Clinton should have resigned to relieve him of more



MONICA LEWINSKY AND her mother's attorney Billy Martin leave the Mayflower Hotel in Washington D.C. Jan. 26. Lewinsky left Washington as the Senate continued to debate whether to call witnesses to the impeachment trial. *Photo by Associated Press*

embarrassment and trouble.

"I just thought he should have resigned and gotten the whole thing over with," Fuller said. "I was tired of hearing about it."

The televised testimony gave Americans a chance to hear the truth from Clinton. As the trial came to an end, the American public got to be the judge of the Lewinsky affair.

A YEAR OF MORAL QUESTIONS

- Jan. 17, 1998** Matt Drudge reported President Clinton had an affair with an intern.
- Jan. 21, 1998** News broke that Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr had evidence of Clinton's affair.
- Jan. 22, 1998** Starr fielded questions about the affair.
- Jan. 26, 1998** President Clinton denied the affair.
- Feb. 4, 1998** Monica Lewinsky went home to live with her father.
- April 1, 1998** Paula Jones's case was dismissed.
- May 28, 1998** Lewinsky gave handwriting samples to FBI.
- July 29, 1998** Linda Tripp held a press conference to make statements after the final day of testimony.
- Aug. 18, 1998** After confessing, Clinton retreated with family.
- Sept. 11, 1998** The Starr Report was unsealed.
- Sept. 21, 1998** Clinton's grand jury testimony was broadcasted.
- Nov. 19, 1998** Starr testified before the House Judiciary Committee.
- Nov. 27, 1998** Clinton provided responses to 81 questions.
- Dec. 2, 1998** Clinton lawyers presented defense to Judiciary Committee
- Dec. 13, 1998** Clinton said he would not resign.
- Dec. 19, 1998** House impeached Clinton
- Feb. 9, 1999** Senate wrapped up first day of impeachment debate.
- Feb. 12, 1999** Clinton was acquitted; apologized again.

A TRIAL OF MORAL ISSUES

by Amanda Scott

The House Judiciary committee began hearings in the impeachment inquiry of



LINDA TRIPP TALKS to reporters after she made her final appearance before the grand jury July 29. *Photo by Associated Press*

President Clinton in late November. It was debated whether to have the initial hearings behind closed doors. The House Judiciary committee aimed to finish the trial by the close of the year.

The word "impeachment" was often misused. Congress members and commentators often agreed upon the definition as removal from office. Under the Constitution, there were several steps between impeachment and removal. The House of Representatives had to approve the articles of impeachment, then the Senate decided whether to conduct a trial based on those articles. A two-thirds majority vote concluded whether the president should have been convicted and removed from office.

A committee chairman representative proposed to consolidate Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's 11 charges against Clinton into three core charges: lying under oath, obstruction of justice and witness tampering.

The public awaited the decision with anticipation.

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HATE CAUSES MURDERS

by Sara Ramsey

He was not planning to be a martyr, but Matthew Shepard's violent death on Oct. 2 put him into the national spotlight. His story was used as a tool to educate about hate crimes.

"The savagery of this crime made Matt's life memorable," Walt Boulden, a friend of Shepard's, said. "But his own living was remembered by those who loved him."

The University of Wyoming student was beaten with a hand gun, tied to a fence outside Laramie, Wyo., and left to die on Oct. 7. Eighteen hours later, a passing bicyclist summoned help after almost mistaking Shepard's body for a crow. Shepard laid in a coma in the Fort Collins, Colo., hospital for five days until he could no longer hold on.

Northwest students and faculty used Shepard's death as inspiration to speak out against hate crimes.

A candlelight vigil was held during Northwest's Week Without Violence.

About 75 students gathered at the Bell Tower to hear other's reactions to Shepard's death. The Bell of 1948 was rung 24 times to symbolize the hours in a day acts of violence occurred in the nation.

Gay And Lesbians Together At Northwest, Northwest's gay and lesbian support group, believed Shepard's death could magnify the urgency of the movement against hate crimes.

"His death, personally, did not affect us, but the symbol behind his death ... because he was gay, did," GALTAN president Robert Owen said. "It could have been used by the world as a tool to get the word out about hate crimes and gays and lesbians."

A similar incident occurred in Rockford, Ala., on Feb. 19. Steven Mullins and Charles Butler Jr. allegedly beat Billy Jack Gaither to death, set his body on fire and scattered his charred remains on a dirt road. At their confession, the two said



AFTER PLEADING GUILTY to accessory after the fact to the first-degree murder of Matthew Shepard, Chastity Vera Pasley is lead out of the Albany County Courthouse in Wyoming. Shepard was beaten to death by Aaron McKinney and Russell Henderson. Photo by Associated Press

they killed Gaither because he made sexual advances toward them.

Time would tell whether Shepard's and Gaither's deaths would be used as a stepping stone to bring the anti-hate crime movement into the next century, or if their deaths were in vain.

CRIME IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

by Matthew Pearl

Making appearances on an almost regular basis, headlines of children killing in cold blood struck a note of fear everywhere. The occurrence in Jonesboro, Ark., raised attention nationwide. Mitchell Johnson, 12, and Andrew Golden, 11, attacked schoolmates on March 27. The two boys had a third person pull the school's fire alarm, locking the doors of the building to prevent re-entry. Ice students and teachers fled, the two opened fire. Four girls died, along with a teacher who moved in front of a boy who was being fired upon. The English instructor, who sustained chest and abdominal wounds, was pregnant when she died. Ten were wounded in the massacre.

In December 1997, Michael

Carneal, 14, was charged with killing two children in Paducah, Ky. He attacked about 35 students who were praying before school began. Without a motive, Carneal was a symbol of growing fear.

In Chicago, two boys killed Ryan Harris, an 11-year-old girl by beating her with a rock and sexually abusing her. When police searched for a motive, all they found was that the boys wanted Harris' bicycle.

In May 1998 Kipland Kinkel, a 15-year-old boy who, reportedly loved guns, killed his parents and two schoolmates in Springfield, Ore.

With so many cases of youth homicide reported in a year's time, attention turned toward a solution. Children were capable killers when the signs of violence were ignored.

WHITE SUPREMACIST CONVICTED

by Eric Davis

After dragging James Byrd behind his truck until decapitation, John King's sentence to the death penalty was voted unanimous by the jury.

On June 7, Byrd's body was found in a wooded area in Jasper, Texas. The night before, Byrd was hitch-hiking home when he was offered a ride home by King and three friends. The men took Byrd to a rural area and beat him until he was unconscious. Then King chained Byrd to the back of his truck and proceeded to drag him down the road. When police found Byrd's body, his head and right arm were found more than a mile down the road.

King, a self-proclaimed white supremacist and parolee, was convicted of capital murder Feb. 23. The jury concluded that he should die by lethal injection. King was sent to the state penitentiary in Huntsville, Texas.

Juror Lequeta Flowers maintained that the jury was certain of their decision.

"No dissension at all," Flowers said. "The evidence was so compelling that we really did not have a question (of) what we had to do."

GUNMAN OPENS FIRE AT U.S. CAPITOL

by Debbie Bacon

Ex-mental patient Russell Eugene Weston Jr. killed two officers and wounded a tourist when he opened fire at the U.S. Capitol on July 24.

According to witnesses, Weston was stopped by Capitol police officer and 18-year veteran of the force, Jacob Chestnut, at the metal detector near the entrance to the building. After Weston was ordered back by Chestnut, he shot Chestnut and headed for the office of Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, the House majority whip.

At the office door of DeLay, Weston met up with Capitol police officer John Gibson who warned staffers to "get down," then confronted Weston. Both were injured when Weston and Gibson exchanged gun fire.

Both officers were shot in the head and killed. Tourist Angela Dickerson escaped with gunshot wounds to her face and shoulder.

According to the *Washington Post*, on Jan. 28, U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan ordered Weston to undergo two additional psychiatric exams in order to see if he was mentally able to withstand trial proceedings. The competency hearing would not take place until late March.

The topic of discussion among students and faculty laid within the quality of security at the Capitol building.

"It scared me to think the security at the Capitol was not that tight," Jenni Nourse said. "If something like that could have happened at the Capitol, something like that could have happened anywhere. I hoped the shooting opened the eyes of many and they concluded that security needed to improve."

Kelly Hansen expressed similar thoughts and feelings.

"It made me sad that people would get



AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL Cemetery in Arlington, Va., a police procession escorts the casket of slain U.S. Capitol police officer John Gibson to its final resting place. Gibson was one shot at our Capitol and a little scared since it was supposed to be one of our highest security buildings," Hansen said.

Eyes of officials were opened. The \$71 million proposal for an underground tourist center that was dropped in 1991 gained new support.

of the police officers who was killed by gunman Russell Eugene Weston Jr. when he opened fire in the U.S. Capitol on July 24. Photo by Nick Fuller

The Capitol grounds had their own police force. All packages were x-rayed and visitors were required to pass through at least one metal detector.

The country relied on officials to make security changes at the Capitol building to restore safety at the nation's capital.

EXHUMING OF REMAINS LEADS X-26 TO NEW HOME

by Becky Blocher

A casket bearing six bones—four ribs, a pelvis and the upper part of a right arm—was buried in St. Louis in June with full military honors. That was the final resting place for 1st Lt. Michael Blassie, before known only as X-26 while he was buried at the Arlington National Cemetery.

The process to figure out exactly who X-26 involved three phases. The first phase was the investigative phase and the second was the deliberative phase. The final and most time consuming phase was the consultative phase.

On June 30, results of DNA testing that were not available at the time of Blassie's death identified him as the man who had been called X-26 for the last 26 years.

It was May 11, 1972, when Blassie was engaged in bombing

runs on An Loc, a city located in South Vietnam. Blassie's wingman had gone in and dropped his bomb load, and Blassie was preparing to do the same. At that time Blassie's wingman observed fuel streaming from Blassie's plane and informed him to eject.

Minutes later Blassie's plane crashed into the ground and exploded. Blassie's wingman and another pilot nearby scouted the area for a sign that he had survived the crash, but no indicators were found.

Found when the area was scavenged was a military ID card bearing Blassie's name, dog tags and currency control cards. Due to the advanced technology introduced since Blassie's accident occurred, it was conclusively deduced the unknown soldier was Blassie.

RESIGNATIONS IN CONGRESS

by Becky Blocher

Newt Gingrich announced Jan. 8 he was resigning from his position as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Gingrich said it was time for him to move on. He saw it was more important for the entire party to be unified than his own personal success.

Calvin Say took over the position of

Speaker of the House after Gingrich's resignation.

Bob Livingston, speaker-designate, stepped down from his position in the republican party. Livingston resigned after his infidelity was disclosed.

"As it was with anything, if there was not a sense of unity and togetherness, then nothing in a group would be accomplished or successful," Ryan Sorge said.

WRESTLING STAR ELECTED GOVERNOR

by Amy Smith

Minnesotians elected the former Jesse "The Body" Ventura, now Jesse "The Mind" Ventura to its governor's seat. The unique thing about Ventura was he was a former heavyweight tag-team wrestling co-champion and was also the co-star of Schwarzenegger's flick, "Predator."

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OIL INDUSTRY GIANTS COMBINE

by Nicole Fuller

The two largest U.S. oil companies signed a definitive agreement Dec. 1 to merge.

The Exxon and Mobil merger was the biggest U.S. corporate combination in history and could have created the world's largest oil company.

The newly-merged company was called the Exxon Mobil Corporation with headquarters in Irving, Texas.

"That merger brought together two outstanding organizations that shared common values, had compatible strategies and demonstrated track records of achievement," said L.R. Raymond, Chairman,

chief executive officer and president, and Vice Chairman L.A. Noto, in a joint statement.

"The merger significantly enhanced shareholder value by enabling us to manage the combined assets of Exxon and Mobil to produce a higher return on capital employed than either company could have achieved on a stand-alone basis."

Exxon and Mobil planned to provide details of the merger to their shareholders in their annual meetings in April and May.

MOTORISTS DRIVE PAST Exxon and Mobil service stations in Ewing, N.J. The merger of the two oil companies created the world's largest oil company. *Photo by Associated Press*



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COMPUTER INDUSTRY GLITCH

by Matthew Pearl

In the first antitrust case in years, software giant Microsoft found itself to be the target of a full-scale U.S. Justice Department investigation.

The controversy began when Microsoft CEO Bill Gates told James Clark, chairman of Netscape, his plan to include Microsoft Internet Explorer as

part of the Windows 95 operating system.

Netscape accused Gates of "strong-arming" the market by forcing out competition.

To add to the debate, Gates included Internet Explorer as an integral component of Windows 98. That was when the Justice Department intervened. The department's argument was

Microsoft's intent was not to improve Internet Explorer but to ruin Netscape.

"Everyone was upset because he (Gates) thought of integrating the systems first," Brian Dorn said. "He did not do anything wrong in my opinion, and they should have just left Bill Gates alone."

The case was a landmark one for the computer industry and all eyes were on Microsoft.

GOVERNMENT SURPLUS

by Eric Davis

The U.S. Congress was questioned on how to spend a \$500 billion surplus of funds. In October, they elected to give some of it to farmers, small businesses and education.

The plan included \$1 billion to be given to school systems.

"I thought the fact that they put it toward education was good, but it would have been better used to pay the national debt," Jeremy Walker said.

The budget adjustment was viewed as positive. The economy was booming, and the government encouraged growth.

STRIKE STALLS AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY

by Matthew Pearl

General Motors could not have prepared itself for the devastating strike it faced in June. Besides its effect on the national economy, including a 0.6 percent fall in industrial output for the month, the strike also sent thousands of GM employees home to wait.

After a more than 50-day absence, 150,000 GM workers breathed a sigh of relief following weeks of unwanted worry and accumulating bills. The strike was caused by a combination of too many workers and a drop in quarterly sales.

In spite of the strike, GM seemed to have landed on its feet.

GM Vice President Roy Roberts said in early September the company set its largest fourth quarter schedule for production in 10 years, proving the auto manufacturer was finally recovering from its nearly two-month lapse.

"In late August, we began to see our momentum build, and we expected that trend to become very apparent in September," Roberts said.

General Motors was back and ready to make another attempt at being the nation's top seller.



SICK-OUT DELAYS FLIGHTS

by Derek McDermott

Labor strikes affected every area of the working environment.

The cases of the Northwest Airline pilot strike and the American Airlines "sick-out" were no exceptions. The Northwest Airline pilots union called the strike, saying the airline was being unfair to pilots. American Airline pilots, the Allied Pilots Association, called in "sick" to protest American's acquisition of a small West Coast carrier, Reno Air, whose pilots earned half or less than the American pilots.

Northwest's union was holding out for a 15 percent pay raise. They also demanded pilots who were on the new payroll could not be laid off for the next five years. The APA demanded American raise the Reno pilots to American contract terms retroactively to the acquisition date.

The strikes affected passengers severely. Around 1,600 Northwest flights and 6,600 American flights were canceled due to strikes.

During the strikes, travel agencies worked to reschedule passenger flights on other airlines. Most agencies stopped booking flights on Northwest Airlines. Plus, American faced two civil lawsuits seeking millions in damages from angry passengers.

PASSENGERS WORK TO make alternative flight plans at the American Airlines ticket booth at Chicago O'Hare International Airport. Passengers had to find other means of travel when pilots called in "sick." Photo by Associated Press

ON THE RUN IN NORTH CAROLINA

by Nicole Fuller

Despite a \$1 million reward, Eric Rudolph was still a fugitive. He lead federal agents on one of the most intense and expensive manhunts in U.S. history.

Rudolph was wanted in connection with the Jan. 29 bombing of a Birmingham, Ala., abortion clinic.

Rudolph, who was No. 1 on the FBI's most wanted list, was also being charged with three Atlanta bombings, including the 1996 Olympic Park bombing

FBI agent Woody Enderson said the federal and state law enforcement hunting for Rudolph believed he was hiding somewhere in the 530,000 acre Nantahala National Forest, a rugged, remote area at North Carolina's western tip.

"He had been (living) up here 16 or 17 years, and we did not know all the routes he had traveled and the places he had been," Enderson said.

Rudolph's experience as an outdoorsman held an advantage over his pursuers.

He had only been sighted once since Feb. 9, the day his empty pickup was found. On July 11, George Nordmann, a health food store owner, told authorities Rudolph had come to his nearby home and taken six months worth of food and supplies along with his pickup.

Charges were filed against Rudolph for the bombing of the New Woman All Women Health Care abortion clinic in Birmingham, Ala., after evidence was found in his home, his pickup truck and a rented warehouse.



SEN. JOHN GLENN waves as he leaves the Operations and Checkout Building at the Kennedy Space Center. Glenn, along with the other crew members, was heading

toward the launch pad for the planned liftoff on the Space Shuttle Discovery. Glenn returned to space 36 years after his previous flight. *Photo by Associated Press*

RETURN TO SPACE

by Jason Tarwater

Age was nothing but a number for John Glenn when he returned to outer space at the age of 77.

The U.S. Senator was the first American to orbit the earth in 1962. He returned to space on the Space Shuttle Discovery to work on the new international space station.

Glenn's flight was one for the record books, as he was the oldest man ever to travel in space. Numerous tests were done on him before and after the trip to figure out the effects of space on the human body, particularly those of older people.

As soon as he landed from the mission in November, he was taken to NASA headquarters for more tests. He gave numerous blood samples in space, a process he dubbed as "bloodletting" and was given more shots before he was allowed to return to his home and to his work in Washington D.C. He also had to undergo monthly muscle and

bone marrow tests for six months after the landing.

Glenn claimed to be in good shape after the flight. He said after he landed that he felt about "95-98 percent normal," but after nine days of weightlessness "did not feel too hot," whenever he would stand or walk.

That flight inspired the nation and renewed hope in the space program. People associated with the mission hoped the "love affair with space," as Houston Mayor Lee Brown called it, would continue well after the flight.

"Do not let the landing be the final chapter in this exciting adventure about space," Shuttle Commander Curtis Brown Jr. said. "Instead, let it be the first chapter in a new tale about the International Space Station."

After his second trip to space, Glenn said it would probably be his last, especially if his wife had her way.

by Steven Melling

Though the indictment was sealed, the main conclusion of the jury was no co-conspirators had surfaced.

The grand jury was formed after a petition drive, which was initiated, in part, by former Oklahoma State Rep. Charles Key. Key did not think Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols acted alone in bombing the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City in 1995.

Key also contended the government had prior knowledge of plans to bomb the building.

"We were dealing with FBI agent falsification of witness statements and perjury and many other problems in this case," Key said.

The grand jury discounted those claims.

District Judge William R. Burkett, who presided over the grand jury, believed the report would have satisfied anyone with "serious questions."

Despite those conspiracy claims, McVeigh and Nichols remained the only people found guilty in the Oklahoma City bombing trial. McVeigh faced the death penalty, while Nichols received a life sentence.

by Wendy Broker

A man thought to be responsible for a spree involving the burning of 50 churches in 11 states reportedly admitted to the crimes.

Thirty-six-year old Jay Scott Ballinger of Indiana was arrested Feb. 21 and was in custody in Indianapolis for setting seven church fires in Indiana and admitting to one set in Ohio in 1994.

Ballinger said he, his girlfriend Angela

by Michelle Krambeck

The soaring costs of higher education were a concern of students. Politicians encouraged students to further their education but often failed to provide enough financial assistance. Students struggled to afford an education, only to graduate with tremendous debt.

Providing more students with financial aid was a major campaign issue for President Clinton in 1992. In October, he signed a bill that amended and improved the Higher Education Act of 1965.

Pell Grants were expanded by the bill.

Wood, 24, of Atlanta and Donald A. Puckett, 37, of Lebanon, Ind., set fire to the Concord Church of Christ in January 1994.

Wood, who allegedly painted an upside-down cross on the steps of the Lebanon church before the burning, was charged in that fire and admitted she was present for several of the other fires. She was being held in Georgia on the charge. Puckett was also charged in one of fires and was in custody in Indianapolis.

No motive was known in the cases, but a gasoline container and satanic books and writings were recovered from Ballinger's Indiana residence.

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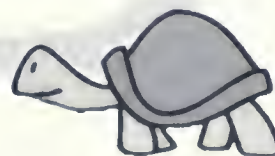
The maximum amount was increased by \$300 to \$4,500. The amount of Pell Grants awarded to students during their first two years of post-secondary education was doubled under a program authorized as "Academic Achievement Incentive Grants."

The amendments added to the Higher Education Act of 1965 were intended to encourage more students to take advantage of higher education and improve the overall experience for college students.

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CIVIL WAR CONTINUES

by Michelle Krambeck

Kosovo, a southern province in former Yugoslavia was located in the Balkan region, an area known for violence and civil wars.

The Serbian province of Kosovo was home to ethnic Albanians. Since Yugoslavia broke up, the Albanian population and Serbian military police had been fighting.

The Kosovo province was so sacred to the Serbs, they would stop at nothing to defend it.

Yet in a province with 90 percent Albanians, it was not long before they began to demand their own rights against the Serbs. It was out of this the Kosovo Liberation Army was formed in 1996.

The Serbs responded to the KLA with violence. At the end of 1998, 2,000 unarmed ethnic Albanians had been killed, while 180,000 had been displaced.

The western media found numerous stories of unnecessary violence, torture, rape and the murders of innocent women and children.

Because of that, President Clinton and NATO Secretary General Javier Solano both warned the Serbs that NATO would not tolerate a major attack.

Leaders of both sides met in France in February for peace talks; however, little was accomplished and the talks were resumed on March 15.

Some students believed the United Nations and the United States should have done whatever was necessary to stop the fighting in Kosovo.

"The killing of women and children was simply wrong," Lindsay Jones said. "There was no reason why the U.N. and the United States should not have done whatever was necessary to stop it."



AN ALBANIAN REFUGEE comforts her sister, a fellow refugee in Kosovo, Yugoslavia. The two women had been living in the open for the past five months, after their homes were destroyed by the Serbs. *Photo by Associated Press*

The United States and NATO were prepared to step in and attempt to eliminate even more violence in a region where war and oppression were so much a part of their people's daily lives.

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TERRORIST ATTACK ON EMBASSY

by Derek McDermott

Fear was a tool for terrorists to show their devotion to their cause. Terrorists used bombs to get their point across to the world.

That happened on Haile Selassie Avenue in downtown Nairobi, Kenya. On a corner where the American flag marked the entrance to the U.S. Embassy, a car drove up to the embassy and exploded. In a few minutes, the embassy was destroyed with flames spreading down to nearby buildings and vehicles. Thousands of people were injured and hundreds were killed in the Nairobi bombing. Eleven of the victims were Americans.

Nearly 450 miles away, at almost exactly the same time, a car drove up to the U.S. Embassy in Tanzania and detonated, destroying both the entrance and the right corner of the embassy. Eleven Tanzanians were killed and 72 injured.

"Those bombings were horrible," Megan Whissler said. "Any

means necessary should have been used to bring the perpetrators to justice."

Many believed all the attention given to the bombings around the world hurt the retaliation efforts of the United States.

Terrorist acts had always been a fear of the American people, with unanswerable questions of where and when the terrorist would strike again.



A KENYAN SOLDIER prepares to raise the U.S. flag outside Ufundi House. More than 250 people were killed and more than 5,500 were wounded in bombings in Kenya and Tanzania. Photo by Associated Press

DESERT FOX

by Jason Tarwater

In mid-December, the United States took action against Iraq and their president, Saddam Hussein.

Hussein was uncooperative in allowing the United Nations to search for chemical weapons. Seeing that as an act of defiance, President Clinton ordered bombings to begin, known as "Operation Desert Fox," with help from the British.

The attacks continued for four days.

In late January, Baghdad delivered a document outlining its view of its disarmament program. Discussion was underway after this delivery.

OVERSEAS BOMBINGS

by Amanda Scott

In mid-August, President Clinton ordered the bombing of terrorists in Afghanistan. Clinton said after the bombing that our target had been terrorists.

Clinton said the facilities attacked were linked to Osama bin Laden, a Saudi Arabian millionaire whom Clinton called a pre-eminent organizer and financier of international terrorism in the world today. Groups affiliated with bin Laden were behind the bombings of the United States embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

On that day in August, Clinton made a decision to protect U.S. citizens by bombing terrorist sites.

NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTS POSE PROBLEMS

by Derek McDermott

India and Pakistan went against the United Nations and tested several nuclear bombs in an attempt to gain the respect they believed they deserved.

Prominent politicians in Karnataka, including Chief Minister J.H. Patel, had come out strongly against the testing.

"Would the nuclear tests solve India's problems in its own

country and around the world?" Patel said. "No, it would have only created more that we would have had to deal with."

Americans agreed that the tests should not have happened, and it would only hurt the world peace process.

India continued to test more bombs until all of the tests were completed.

INDONESIAN PRESIDENTIAL RESIGNATION LEADS TO CIVIL UNREST

by Laura Pearl

Amidst the turmoil of public riots and pressure from the military to resign, Indonesia President Suharto finally gave in and stepped down from his residency, taking only military promises of continued wealth and protection with him.

Suharto's problems began and developed quickly. With the onset of economic problems, he recently enraged people who had primarily supported him for 32 years.

Rioting began when normally peaceful student protests escalated into shootings on the campus of Trisakti University in Jakarta, Indonesia. Riot police broke their "code red" rules and fired, killing at least

six people.

Military personnel understood the pressure of the riots could help manipulate Suharto into peaceful resignation. Parliamentary leaders tried to get him to resign.

Unfortunately, Suharto's resignation only marked the beginning of the Indonesian crisis. New President Bachruddin Jusuf Habibie did not have the respect and support of the people, nor the diplomacy of a leader.

The pressure of dealing with an economic crisis proved to be unmanageable for Suharto. Riots drew Suharto into resignation, but his weak leadership only deepened the wounds of the country.

EMBASSY THREATENED

by Matthew Pearl

The U.S. Embassy in Israel closed its doors on Dec. 31 following a bomb threat to the facility. U.S. Ambassador Ned Walker judged the threat as being a security risk.

Though the threat proved to be false, embassy spokesman Larry Schwartz defended the actions of the ambassador.

"The embassy received a credible and specific threat and as a result, the ambassador thought it prudent to close the embassy today while we investigated with the appropriate authorities," Schwartz said.

The embassy in Tel Aviv opened the following week, but the lasting uneasiness associated with the bomb threat incident was something that would continue to cause concern for the embassy for months to come.

A WORKING VACATION

by Debbie Bacon

Nine summer days marked progress for Chinese and American relations. President Clinton became the sixth president to practice "constructive engagement" with China, since former President Richard Nixon paved the way in 1972.

Northwest students from China said the gesture was significant to relations between China and the United States.

"Nixon had a big impact," Elaine Pei said. "He was the first one to visit. Before that, (the) United States did not recognize China as a country."

Clinton met with Chinese President Jiang Zemin to discuss major international issues.

Economy and trade were on the list of Clinton's hopes for agreements. According to Clinton, roughly one-third of United States exports and four million jobs depended on its trade to Asia. The Clinton and Zemin agreement included \$1.6 billion in trade deals.

Jenni Nourse found it hard to say something negative about Clinton's visit to China.

"I believed Bill Clinton's visit to China was successful in many ways," Nourse said. "His trip showed a friendship and cooperation developing between China and the United States."



THE CLINTON FAMILY stops to pose for a family picture on the Great Wall of China. The Clintons were in China on vacation and a good will trip. Bill

had spent most of 1998 dealing with the Ken Starr investigation of his relationship with Monica Lewinsky. Photo by Associated Press

FINDING A COMMON CURRENCY

by Mayumi Tanaka

European countries combined the different currencies they used into a new, uniform currency known as the euro.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair said the country would wait and see how the new European currency worked before making a decision whether to join. On

Feb. 20, the decision was made to prepare to join the euro. Eleven members of the European Union, led by France and Germany, launched the new currency.

The seven denominations, ranging from 5 to 500 euros, had idealized monuments, a fictional gateway, and bridges on both sides, which were designed to be non-nation specific.



A PROTESTER HOLDS up anti-euro signs on the first day of trading the new currency. Photo by Associated Press

FOREIGN ECONOMIES STRUGGLE

by Stephanie Zeilstra

Asian markets experienced many ups and downs as Japan hit a 12-year low on the Nikkei Stock Average in early September.

In June, the United States bought Japanese yen in the currency market; together with Japan, that estimated \$2 to \$3 billion. The move was an attempt to stimulate the Japanese economy and improve the Asian economy.

Japan saw the results of the United States' purchase the next day when the yen rose four percent, while the dollar only fell slightly.

The 12-year low affected the world economy vastly. The Dow Jones industrial average posted its second-biggest point loss ever. It later recovered slightly.

Japan's economy had an affect on the world as well as affecting imported goods.

DOW JONES NEARS ALL-TIME HIGH

by Jason Hoke

The Dow Jones industrial average was in record-breaking territory in March. March 15, the Dow closed just 41.23 shy of a milestone 10,000 point close.

Investors thought the Dow would reach 10,000 March 11, when trading peaked at 9935.46, before closing at 9897.44 points.

The Dow Jones began in 1896 and hit the 1,000-mark in 1972. It

took the Dow another 20 years to reach 3,000. In 1995, the Dow hit 4,000, and, in that same year reached 5,000. In a record four years later, the Dow gained 5,000 points.

With the world in financial crisis and the Dow Jones in its longest bull-market, some investment firms encouraged investors to watch their stocks in case the market starts to fall.

ECONOMY REQUIRES CHANGE

by Brad Brentlinger

The citizens of Russia were in the midst of the biggest problem since the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991.

The Asian economic crisis, along with Russia's problems, sent the Russian economy out of control. The demanding price for natural gas and oil declined rapidly, hurting Russia since they owned roughly one-third of the world's natural gas reserves supply. Because of the drastic drop in prices, so went the stability of their primary income.

The biggest question on the mind of the Russian people was "How did things get to be this bad?" They were being promised a better way of life and international banks had transferred a great deal of money into the Russian banks in hopes of stabilizing the economy.

Many workers had their wages and earnings suspended. The Russian government owed 77 billion rubles to the employees of its country, about one-third of all the rubles in circulation.

Only time would tell if the steps taken toward reform were the right ones.



TRADERS FOLLOW THE progress of the Russian economy, after the United States announced that it would make an effort to augment the recently announced bailout package.
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JORDAN KING HANDS OVER THRONE BEFORE DYING

by Brad Brentlinger

The country of Jordan was in a state of shock as they learned the condition of their leader's health. The people watched as the responsibility of the country was handed down from the dying King Hussein to his oldest son, increasing the pressure to maintain Jordan's role as a moderator in a region of the world best known for violence.

Hussein had been in the United States for the past six months undergoing cancer treatment.

Before his death the king was hooked to a respirator, and both his liver and one remaining kidney had failed. The throne was passed down to his son Crown Prince Abdullah. Many worried that the king's death would bring even more problems to Jordan.

The king had ruled Jordan since 1952, and while doing so, provided equal support for both Middle East and the United States, whom he supported and had personal ties with.

Rabbi Marvin Hier, a close friend of Hussein, planned a ceremony for the king and was very saddened by his death.

"The unprecedented step of a Jewish institution holding a tribute for an Arab king spoke miles as to what we thought of him," said Hier. "I did not think he was replaceable."

GOVERNMENT WARNS TO PREPARE FOR Y2K BUG

by Kaori Nagai

"We would have been confronted with one of the most serious and potentially devastating events this nation had ever encountered," U.S. Sens. Robert Bennett and Christopher Dodd said in a letter to other senators.

Y2K problems were expected after Dec. 31, 1999. Older computer programs designated only the last two digits of a year in date so that they would read the year 2000 as 1900.

Some Americans were preparing for the worst, and authors were trying to make money by worrying people, saying "buy candles, wood and food for a month," or "keep \$1,000 cash hidden."

People all over the world prepared for any possible Y2K problems in the beginning of 2000.

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FLIGHT ENDS IN TRAGEDY

by Laura Pearl

Less than two hours after its departure from Kennedy International Airport, Swissair Flight 111 plunged into the frigid waters of the North Atlantic, leaving only fragmented clues for investigators to grasp.

Trouble began about an hour into the flight, when crew members reported smoke in the cockpit. Within 16 minutes, Flight 111 had disappeared from radar entirely and was headed for its destruction east off the coast of Nova Scotia, Canada.

Investigators searched for weeks trying to recover not only evidence revealing the cause of the crash, but also the remains of

229 passengers. Early in the search, divers recovered the flight data recorder. However, both that device and the cockpit voice recorder, found a few days later, proved worthless to the case, each shutting off six minutes before the plane crashed into the ocean.

United States authorities credited the problem to an electrical complication.

Kerre Heintz knew she would remember the crash of Flight 111 the next time she flew.

"I thought people would be kind of leery of the flight industry for a little while, but that would soon pass like it always did," Heintz said.

Brian Dorn believed people would still view airlines as the safest way to travel.

"Disasters like that were few and far between," Dorn said. "It was just a case of little things going wrong and having big impacts."

National sentiment for the victims and their families was strong as investigators continued searching for clues. Meanwhile, the mystery as to why a Boeing 747 from one of the world's safest airlines went down.

Until the pieces of the puzzle could be assembled, feelings of concern and sympathy prevailed.



RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS Dawn McGrath and Gwen Slipp collect rocks to give to the victims families from the coast near the place that Swissair Flight 111 crashed into the ocean. The

Geneva-bound aircraft plunged into the Atlantic Ocean near Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia, Canada on Wednesday, Sept. 2. Photo by Associated Press

GERMAN OFFICIAL DEFEATED IN ELECTION

by Laura Pearl

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl stepped down from a 16-year term of office and bid farewell to his people after suffering a bitter political defeat to social Democrat Gerhard Schröder. Schröder's boisterous and energetic campaigning won the hearts of change-

thirsty German voters in the dawning of a new political era.

Keying in on the turmoil caused by double-digit unemployment rates primarily in former East Germany, Schröder decided to concentrate on creating new jobs and providing more economic stability.

Continuing to play off the German people's strongest wishes, Schröder promised he would not impose any new taxes and would stick to the foreign policy already being practiced.

In the end, election results convinced Kohl he had lost enough support to justifiably step down from office, as no other sitting chancellor had done before in modern German history.

POWERBALL FEVER

by Becky Blocher

To get rich quick and not do a thing was the dream for those old enough to play the lottery. All one needed was a winning Powerball ticket.

Odds of winning were low. A person was more likely to get struck by lightning twice or be eaten by a shark.

One of the highest payoffs in the history of the game was over \$295 million. Lines filled convenience stores and stretched across parking lots.

The winning ticket was purchased in July in Richmond, Ind., by 13 employees at Automation Tooling Systems, a company based in Ohio. Each contributed \$10 to buy 130 tickets, and one of those won the \$295.7 million jackpot.

With \$295

million, one could have bought a new sports utility vehicle every day for the next 20 years or eaten breakfast, lunch and dinner at McDonald's every day for the next 3,500 years.

Critics thought Powerball reinforced America's problem of thinking that money made life easier. That hope



OUTSIDE THE NEW Hampshire State Liquor Store in Salem, N.H., Powerball players fill out their card. In July the biggest payoff in the lottery's history was awarded. Photo by Associated Press

resulted in lines of hundreds waiting for tickets and glued thousands to television every Wednesday and Saturday night, waiting for the draw.

FILM CRITIC DIES FROM SURGERY COMPLICATIONS

by Brad Brentlinger

Long-time film critic Gene Siskel died in February from complications of his May 11 brain surgery to remove a tumor.

When asked to comment on the sudden death of his long-time friend, Roger Ebert said he was deeply affected.

"Gene was a lifelong friend, and our professional competition only strengthened that bond," Ebert said. "I could not imagine what it would be like without Siskel."

VOCAL LEGEND PASSES AWAY

by Eric Davis

Fifty-six years after his first solo project, Frank Sinatra was wheeled into a Los Angeles emergency room. Sinatra was pronounced dead at 10:50 a.m. on May 14. He was 82 years old.

"In the '40s he was as popular as Elvis was in the '50s, or the Beatles in the '60s," Dr. John Entzi, assistant professor at Northwest, said.

By 1958 women did not find Sinatra quite as alluring. But that year he released an album many critics hailed as

the pinnacle of his career. "Only the Lonely" was a collection of saloon songs. Sinatra himself proclaimed it his best work.

In the 80s, he still performed, but his voice was not as crisp as before.

In January 1997, Sinatra suffered a stroke. In the following months he spent most of his time at his Los Angeles estate.

Sixteen months later, Sinatra passed away. For many, it marked the end of an era.

AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

Academy Award Nominees

Best Actor in a Leading Role

Roberto Benigni, "Life is Beautiful"
Tom Hanks, "Saving Private Ryan"
Ian McKellen, "Gods and Monsters"
Nick Nolte, "Affliction"

Edward Norton, "American History X"

Best Actor in a Supporting Role

James Coburn, "Affliction"
Robert Duvall, "A Civil Action"
Ed Harris, "The Truman Show"
Geoffrey Rush, "Shakespeare in Love"
Billy Bob Thornton, "A Simple Plan"

Best Actress in a Leading Role

Cate Blanchett, "Elizabeth"
Fernanda Montenegro, "Central Station"
Gwyneth Paltrow, "Shakespeare in Love"

Meryl Streep, "One True Thing"

Emily Watson, "Hilary and Jackie"

Best Actress in a Supporting Role

Kathy Bates, "Primary Colors"
Brenda Blethyn, "Little Voice"
Judi Dench, "Shakespeare in Love"
Rachel Griffiths, "Hilary and Jackie"
Lynn Redgrave, "Gods and Monsters"

Best Directing

Roberto Benigni, "Life is Beautiful"
Steven Spielberg, "Saving Private Ryan"

John Madden, "Shakespeare in Love"

Terrence Malick, "The Thin Red Line"

Peter Weir, "The Truman Show"

Best Picture

"Elizabeth"
"Life is Beautiful"
"Saving Private Ryan"
"Shakespeare in Love"
"The Thin Red Line"

Best Original Screenplay

"Bulworth"

"Life is Beautiful"

"Saving Private Ryan"

"Shakespeare in Love"

"The Truman Show"

Best Screenplay Adaptation

"Gods and Monsters"

"Out of Sight"

"Primary Colors"

"A Simple Plan"

"The Thin Red Line"

Grammy Awards

Record of the Year

"My Heart Will Go On," Celine Dion

Album of the Year

"The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill,"

Lauryn Hill

Song of the Year

"My Heart Will Go On," James

Horner and Will Jennings

Best New Artist

Lauryn Hill

Best Pop Album

"Ray of Light," Madonna

Best Rock Song

"Uninvited," Alanis Morissette

Best Rock Album

"The Globe Sessions," Sheryl Crow

Best R&B Song

"Doo Wop (That Thing)," Lauryn Hill

Best R&B Album

"The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill"

Lauryn Hill

Best Country Song

"You're Still the One," Robert John

"Mutt" Lange and Shania Twain

Best Country Album

"Wide Open Spaces," Dixie Chick



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In Remembrance

Gene Autry, 91, actor, owner of the California Angels and singing cowboy best known for singing "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"

Jerome Bixby, 75, screenwriter for the original "Twilight Zone" and "Star Trek"

Harry Blackman, 90, retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice, author of the Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion in 1973

Tom Bradley, 81, first black mayor of Los Angeles

Lloyd Bridges, 85, starred in "Airplane" and appeared on "Seinfeld"

Dr. Mary Calderone, 94, doctor and writer, wrote several books including "Talking With Your Child About Sex," a founder of the Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States

Curtis Carlson, 84, founder of Carlson Companies, which included TGI Friday's restaurants

Kasey Cisyk, 45, jingle singer of slogans such as "Have you driven a Ford lately?" and "Come see the softer side of Sears"

John Derek, 72, actor and director, had roles in "All the King's Men," "The Ten Commandments" and "Exodus"

Tetsuya "Ted" Fujita, 78, scientist, developed microburst theory and created the Fujita Scale which rates the strength of tornadoes

Betty Lou Gerson, 85, the voice of Cruella De Vil in the original "101 Dalmatians"

Lord Lew Grade, 91, producer of "The Saint," "The Muppet Show," and "Raise the Titanic"

Phil Hartman, 50, comic in "Saturday Night Live" and "NewsRadio"

L.C. "Speedy" Higgins, 85, Kansas City jazz musician who played with Charlie Parker and Ella Fitzgerald

John Holliman, 50, journalist, covered Gulf War and Tiananmen Square

King Hussein, 64, Jordanian king, long-serving constitutional monarch and a moderating influence in the Middle East

Florence Griffith Joyner, 39, "fastest woman in the world," sprinter, set world records in the 100 and 200 meter races in the 1988 Summer Olympics

Leonid Kinskey, 95, actor who played Sascha the bartender in "Casablanca"

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NBA LEGEND RETIRES

by Steven Melling

Chicago would never again see the famous number 23. After much speculation, longtime NBA all star Michael Jordan left the game.

After a career covering two decades and capturing six championships, Jordan felt it was time to leave.

"Mentally, I was exhausted, and I did not feel I had a challenge," Jordan said.

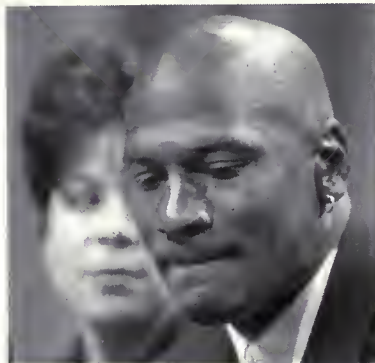
At a press conference, Jordan said the NBA had been through some rocky times with the lockout.

"I thought it was a reality check for all of us ...

it was still a game, and the game would continue on," Jordan said.

There was much speculation about who would lead the NBA as it "continued on."

Despite the debate, most believed no one would fill Jordan's legacy.



AT A PRESS conference announcing his retirement from the NBA, Michael Jordan pauses. Jordan's playing history spanned two decades and his team, the Chicago Bulls, won six NBA championships in that time. Photo by Associated Press

TRACK STAR REMEMBERED

by Stephanie Zeilstra

Florence Griffith Joyner was known for her contributions to track and field. Clocked at 23.5 mph, FloJo was the world's fastest woman.

FloJo died of heart-related problems at 38. Her husband Al Joyner, found her unresponsive in their home. She left behind a 7-year-old daughter, Mary Ruth. "What she taught us through her grace, self-confidence and sense of style was that you could have been a world-class athlete and still been a woman," Nancy Prichard said.

STREAK ENDS

by Becky Blocher

Cal Ripken Jr. set a new North American record in 1998 for most consecutive games played. He had not missed a game since before he was in the major leagues.

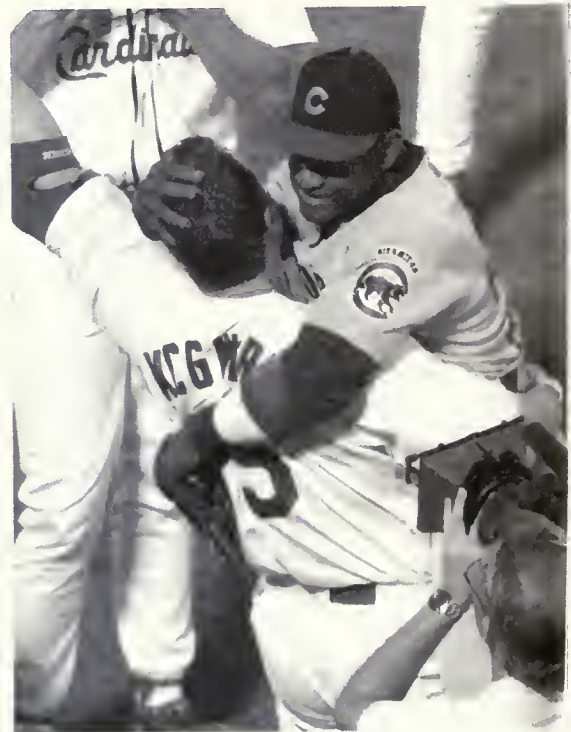
The original record was set by Lou Gehrig and his number was 2,130. Ripken Jr. finished his streak by surpassing that to the new record of 2,632. Although he beat the North American record, he was still in second place to the world record. That record was held by a Japanese player.

HITTING FOR THE RECORD

by Derek McDermott

On a cool St. Louis night in September, a ball sailed out of the park and made history when Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals broke Roger Maris' home run record of 61. It was a ball that barely left the park, yet it was known as one of the greatest achievements in baseball history. The home run record was one that many believed to be impossible to break.

While McGwire was the first person to break the record, he was not the only person in 1998 to accomplish that feat. Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs also broke the home run mark. While Sosa did break the home run record, he still finished behind McGwire. McGwire hit a new record, 70 home runs, nine more than the previous record. Sosa finished the season with 66 home runs.



ST. LOUIS CARDINALS home run slugger Mark McGwire is hugged by Chicago Cubs slugger Sammy Sosa after McGwire hit his 62nd home run of the season, setting a new major league record. Sosa was also in the race for the record. Photo by Associated Press

OLYMPIC SCANDAL

by Laura Pearl

In their efforts to host the 2002 Winter Olympics, Olympic Committee officials in Salt Lake City became entangled in bribery schemes that tarnished the dignity of Salt Lake City and the nation.

When Salt Lake City earned the honor of hosting the 2002 games by a large margin, competitors suggested a scandal.

Accusations started to fit together. Salt Lake City had been warned in 1989 to slow down on their gift-giving. When suspicion resurfaced, investigators went into action.

In their investigations, the International Olympic Committee, U.S. Olympic Committee, U.S. Justice Department and a Utah ethics committee found cash payments of up to \$70,000 in housing, education, health care and travel expenses had been made to IOC members.

The city was still allowed to host to the 2002 Winter games; however, the honor of hosting the event had been replaced with a sense of shame and embarrassment. With the damage done, the nation viewed the consequences of such a monumental scandal.

NBA PLAYER AND COACHES SETTLE LOCKOUT

by Ted Place

In the wee hours of the morning on Jan. 6, NBA Commissioner David Stern and union head Billy Hunter struck a deal to end the NBA's six-month lockout, which occurred because players were unhappy with their salaries.

The players union and the NBA's board

of governors approved the deal and a 50-game season, which began in February.

Students believed the strike had a negative effect on the NBA's reputation.

"It (the strike) hurt (the NBA) greatly," Carl Schweigel said. "It made people want to watch other things and also to watch other sports."

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

• Major League Baseball

The New York Yankees defeated the San Diego Padres in the World Series.

• Professional Football

The Denver Broncos defeated the Atlanta Falcons in Superbowl XXXIII.

• College Football

The University of Tennessee Volunteers defeated the Florida State University Seminoles at the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl and became the Division I National Champions.

• Professional Men's Basketball

The Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Utah Jazz in the NBA Finals.

• Professional Women's Basketball

The Houston Comets defeated the Phoenix Mercury for the WNBA championship.

• Hockey

The Detroit Red Wings defeated the Washington Capitals for the Stanley Cup.

• World Cup

France defeated Brazil for the World Cup Championship title.

• Car Racing

Kenny Brack won the Indy 500.

Jeff Gordon won the Daytona 500.

• Golf

Mark O'Meara won the British Open and the Masters.

Lee Jazen won the U.S. Open.

Vijay Singh won the PGA Championship.

• Men's Tennis

Carlos Moya defeated Alex Corretja for the French Open title.

Patrick Rafter defeated Mark Philippoussis for the U.S. Open title.

Yevgeny Kafelnikov defeated Thomas Enqvist for the Australian Open title.

Pete Sampras defeated Goran Ivanisevic for the Wimbledon title.

• Women's Tennis

Arantxa Sanchez Vicario defeated Monica Seles for the French Open title.

Lindsay Davenport defeated Martina Hingis for the U.S. Open title.



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In Remembrance

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Shari Lewis, 65, puppeteer, voice of characters in "Lamb Chop's Play Along"

Linda McCartney, photographer, member of her husband Paul's 1970s rock band, "Wings"

Roddy McDowall, 70, photographer, acted in four of the "Planet of the Apes" movies

Marie-Louise Febronie Meilleur, 118, the oldest person in the world for approximately a year

Paul Mellon, 92, art patron and horse owner, helped build and donated hundreds of paintings to the National Gallery of Art; his horses won major races including the Kentucky Derby

Alan J. Pakula, 70, directed "Sophie's Choice" and "All the President's Men;" produced "To Kill a Mockingbird"

Richard Paul, 58, actor, played Jerry Falwell in "The People vs. Larry Flynt"

Octavio Paz, 84, writer and Nobel Prize winner

Rob Pilatus, 32, lip syncher, half of Milli Vanilli

Carl Perkins, 65, guitarist, wrote songs for Johnny Cash and Bob Dylan

Pol Pot, 75, former dictator of Cambodia, headed one of the worst genocides of the 20th century

Lewis Powell, 91, Supreme Court Justice, swing vote for 15 years

Jay Pritzker, 77, billionaire who founded the Hyatt chain in the late 1950s

Dan Quisenberry, 45, side-armed pitcher for the Kansas City Royals and St. Louis Cardinals

Eddie Rabbitt, 57, sang "I Love a Rainy Night" and "Just You and I"

Johnny Roventini, 86, pitchman in Phillip Morris ads and 1950s and 1960s television shows

Jerome Robbins, 80, Broadway choreographer of "West Side Story"

Glen Seaborg, 87, received Nobel Peace Prize for the discovery of plutonium and other elements

Alan Shepard, 75, astronaut, first American in space

Frank Sinatra, 83, sang "My Way" and "Start Spreading the News;" a member of the 1940s "Ratpack"

Gene Siskel, 53, movie critic, co-hosted "Siskel and Ebert," wrote entertainment column for the

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EL NIÑO AND LA NIÑA

by Amanda Scott

El Niño could have been described as a season that came at irregular intervals and stayed for an unspecified period of time. During El Niño there were certain expected changes in climate and weather patterns.

La Niña was El Niño's counterpart. With sea-surface temperatures, La Niña impacted global weather patterns in winter capacities.

El Niño killed an estimated 2,100 people worldwide and caused at least 33 billion (U.S.) dollars in property damage.

People dealt with El Niño as the storm racked up damage across the world.

AVALANCHES IN THE ALPS

by Kaori Nagai

The worst avalanche in 50 years hit Central Europe in the late winter months.

The death toll due to avalanches in the Austrian Alps reached 37.

An international fleet of helicopters, including 10 from the U.S. Army, brought people to Landeck, Austria, to catch buses and trains home.

The avalanches damaged Central Europe economically and increased the related death toll to more than 70 across the continent for the year.



A HONDURAS CITIZEN tries to escape the wrath of Hurricane Mitch. The hurricane left a path of

destruction throughout Honduras and killed over 9,000 people. Photo by Associated Press

HURRICANE MITCH

by Laura Pearl

Overwhelmed by reports of the destruction Hurricane Mitch left in its path, campus leaders gathered to organize a community relief effort, hoping to make a difference in the lives of the survivors in Honduras.

The hurricane left at least 9,000 dead, 2 million homeless and billions of dollars in damage in the country.

Two Northwest students, Claudia Molina and Susan Garrett, organized the relief project in Maryville.

Group members called Heart to Heart International, a relief organization in Kansas

STRIKES HONDURAS

City, and set up a plan to collect donations

When the five-day collection period ended, the amount of donations was astonishing. Two semi-trucks were filled with over 23,000 pounds of goods.

Molina wrote a letter to attach to the donations, telling the recipients that the Maryville community and Northwest were sending the items to help. All helpers of the project signed the letter before it was sent.

The generosity of community and campus members made the effort a success, and the generosity became a light for a people burdened by disaster.

BURNING OUT OF CONTROL

by Kaori Nagai

Lightning caused more than 2,300 wildfires from May to July in northern and central Florida.

More than 1,300 firefighters from across the country were at work in northeast Florida, based at a camp near DeLand in Volusia County.

The quick spread of fire was due to the domination of pine trees in the area, which were susceptible to fire.

"The crowns of splash and loblolly pines made them more prone to spread high-intensity fires," ecologist Kenneth Outcalt said. "But in a natural longleaf forest, the crowns were not dense enough to touch each other. There was less smoke, and the fires were very gentle, so it was easier to have homes at the edge of the forest."



FIREFIGHTER MIKE BECKER monitors brush fire along Route 92 in Volusia County, Fla. Photo by Associated Press

H A R S H HURRICANES

by Stephanie Zeilstra and Laura Pearl

Hurricane Bonnie stumped scientists and meteorologists as it puttered along the East Coast.

Evacuation orders were issued for the coastal areas of North and South Carolina.

Similar events occurred worldwide.

Hurricane Georges left its mark in the Caribbean, killing over 500 people and leaving more than 600,000 temporarily homeless.

The Dominican Republic, Haiti and Puerto Rico suffered the most damage where winds reached 130 mph.

MOBILE, ALA., RESIDENTS pass by a flooded roadway in an effort to return to their homes. Photo by Associated Press



FLOOD, DROUGHT BURDEN TEXAS

by Steven Melling

Texas experienced the full range of adverse weather conditions in 1998.

In the summer, the state suffered from extreme heat. In the fall, the state finally received

rainfall. However, the severity of the rainfall was equal to that of the summer's heat.

In October, President Clinton declared several Texas counties disaster areas and allocated federal disaster aid for the state.

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personality and host of "The Howdy Doody Show"

Benjamin Spock, 85, pediatrician, writer, known for books about raising children

Dusty Springfield, 60, sang "Wishin' & Hopin'" and "Son of a Preacher Man"

Michelle Thomas, 29, actress, played Myra on "Family Matters" and was on "The Young and the Restless"

Kwame Ture, 57, activist, born Stokely Carmichael, led a number of black organizations in the United States and coined the phrase "Black Power"

George Wallace, 79, governor of Alabama when the first black student attended the University of Alabama.

Dorothy West, 91, the writer of "The Wedding"

Carl Wilson, 51, guitarist for the Beach Boys

Flip Wilson, 65, comic and star of "The Flip Wilson Show"

Tammy Wynette, 55, three-time winner of the Country Music Association's "Female Vocalist of the Year" award

Robert Young, 91, actor, had roles in "Father Knows Best" and "Marcus Welby"

Michael Zaslow, 56, actor on "One Life to Live" and "Guiding Light"

Northwest Faculty

David Hancock, Instructor, Department of Accounting/Finance/Economics, taught at Northwest from 1982 to 1985 and from 1990 to 1998

John Hopper, Professor, History/Humanities Department, taught at Northwest from 1969 to 1993

Irene Mueller, Professor, Biology Department, taught from 1944 to 1975

Jane Smith, Accounts Receivable Supervisor, worked at Northwest from 1991 to 1998

Gilbert Whitney, Professor, Music Department, taught at Northwest from 1951 to 1980

John Yates, Full-time special appointment in Educational Leadership, Fall 1989 to Spring 1990

Northwest Students

Caren "Mac" Cummings, October 1998

Christine Galitz, June 1998

Jason Simmons, April 1998

INCUMBENTS RULE ISSUE-ORIENTED ELECTION

by Stephanie Zeilstra

Northwest Missouri voters decided on key issues and saw local people vie for positions as state senators and representatives in November's general election.

Maryville Democrat Bridget Brown, went against incumbent Republican Rex Barnett of Maryville, in a close race for state representative for District 4. In the end, the incumbent kept his seat.

One major issue that was decided on during the election was Amendment 9, which decided whether casinos could continue operating gambling facilities in man-made moats. The issue received

attention after the Missouri Supreme Court ruled gambling on a boat in a moat was violating the constitution. Amendment 9 passed by a vote of 857,812 to 688,043.



DEMOCRAT BETH WHEELER, Maryville, talks with reporters during the 1998 State Senate race. In the Senate District 12 race incumbent Republican Sam Graves, Tarkio, was victorious against Wheeler. Photo by Sarah Phipps

ST. JOSEPH SHOOTING SPREE

by Amanda Scott

Husband, father, war veteran and a commended seven-year veteran of the St. Joseph Police Department, Bradley T. Arn was murdered by William E. Lattin Jr. during a shooting spree Nov. 10.

Nearly 2,000 people attended his funeral service. Among the large group of people, about 800 law-enforcement officers also attended wearing a black stripe across their badges in honor of Arn.

"It (the shooting) was startling because stuff like that generally did not happen in St. Joe," Crystal Beckham said. "It would have been more likely to happen in bigger cities like Kansas City."

That November day, Lattin carried a MAK 90 assault rifle, a 12-gauge pump shotgun, a muzzle-loading pistol and a long-bladed knife. During the 20 minute shooting spree, Lattin fired about 280 shots, and he had another 300 rounds available when he was killed by another St. Joseph officer.

Police reported Lattin had 12 arrests from 1987 to 1993 for weapon violations

and assault among other charges. Lattin was arrested at least four times for various weapon offenses, including shooting a firearm in the city limit, unlawful use of a weapon and carrying a concealed weapon.

"It was pretty devastating, that was not what St. Joe was like," Becca Schilling said. "It made me mad, too, because Lattin had been arrested within the last five years. He should not have been allowed to buy a weapon."

Valorie Sharp, a St. Joseph resident, received serious injuries from the shooting when she took a different route home. The windshield suddenly broke and gun smoke entered. She unfastened her seat belt and tried to walk to a species store but kept falling down. She crawled because her eyes were swollen.

The St. Joseph community was affected that day, but for Arn's family and friends and the four survivors of injuries, questions of Lattin's acts would never be put to rest.

MARYVILLE BUILDS NEW SPORTS COMPLEX

by Eric Davis

Citizens of Maryville were awaiting a new addition to the city's recreational facilities. In February 1999, city officials announced they would soon begin construction on Donaldson Westside Park and Sports Complex.

The city received a \$160,000 grant from the Landmark Local Parks Program on Dec. 11. Maryville received the grant on the condition that they match the program's donation, which had already been done.

The Donaldson family, longtime residents of Maryville, donated \$400,000 toward the project. To raise money, area businesses contributed money and items such as donor bricks and plaques were sold to adorn the facilities.

The sports complex was to include five youth soccer fields, four lighted baseball diamonds, a football field, two shelter houses, an amphitheater, parking lots and concession stands.

The demand for the complex was a result of the growth of Maryville's sports organizations. Maryville Parks and Recreation thought the complex would foster the growth of the organizations.

"There were just not enough (fields) available for all the groups now," MPR Vice President Dan Edwards said. "That would have alleviated scheduling problems and benefited a lot of people."

With a new sports complex, citizens of all ages would have had a new way to relax and enjoy their free time in Maryville.

NORTHWEST STUDENTS CHARGED WITH LOCAL MURDER

by Ted Place

A little over a year after the Oct. 12, 1997, murder of Gracie Hixson, a 56-year-old grandmother and convenience store clerk, the Nodaway County Sheriff's Department took a big step toward solving the case.

Northwest students Brian Campbell and Phillip Baldwin along with Travis Canon, former Northwest student, were charged with first-degree murder, armed criminal action, unlawful use of a weapon and first-degree robbery. Their bond was set at \$1 million.

The day of their arrest, Campbell and Baldwin told the Missouri Highway Patrol and Gary Howard, Andrew County Sheriff, Canon alone shot Hixson when he and Baldwin robbed the store. Campbell waited in the car during the robbery according to the investigation.

As the University and the town of Maryville watched in amazement, friends of Baldwin, Campbell and Canon came to their defense.

"Knowing him (Campbell) the way I did, I could not have pictured him doing anything like that, and until somebody

could prove it to me or he told me, it was impossible," Wendy Broker said.

Baldwin plead guilty to second-degree murder after Jerry Biggs, Andrew County prosecuting attorney, said he would not seek the death penalty if Baldwin pled guilty and testified against Canon and Campbell. His maximum punishment was life in prison.

Campbell's trial was set for April 20, and no plea was issued prior to the trial.

Canon was charged with first-degree murder, first-degree robbery, armed criminal action and unlawful use of a weapon.

The state announced it would seek the death penalty.



THE SHOP & HOP on U.S. Highway 71 is where Gracie Hixson was murdered. Two Northwest students and one former student were arrested for the murder. Photo by Amy Roh

LONG-TIME INSTRUCTOR DIES

by Nicole Fuller

David Hancock left his mark on the Northwest community. A blue Kansas City Royals jacket and keys dangling from his door would always remain in the minds of those who knew him personally.

Hancock, 40, passed away at Shenandoah Memorial Hospital in Shenandoah, Iowa, on Oct. 9 after losing his battle with cancer.

Hancock was an instructor in the Department of Accounting/Finance/Economics. The people who knew him knew where his heart and priorities were.

"Dave was a good teacher, a good friend and, above all else, a good person," said Mary Scott, assistant professor of accounting/finance/economics. "If I ever had to try to follow in anyone's footsteps, it would have been Dave. He was the best there was. I never met a single person who had a bad word to say about Dave."

Hancock was a man judged based solely on his character, nothing more.

NEW POWER STATION PLANNED

by Michelle Krambeck

Some Maryville residents opposed the possibility of a new power station southeast of Maryville. Fifty-one neighbors in the region of the proposed plant site had concerns for their property, the level of noise and air pollution as well as possibilities of odor and acid rain.

The Associated Electronic Cooperative, Inc. claimed the \$60 million plant would not effect the water supply and the plant would not be noisy.

Area residents said they were ready to sue AEC for any damage.

LIBRARY IMPROVEMENTS

by Amy Smith

The Maryville Public Library was in the process of receiving an addition.

The new wing of the library was called the Lela Hackney Bell and Charles Robinson Bell Wing in honor of the funds received from the late Bells' estate.

Additional funding came from private contributions. The nine board members' goal was to reach \$400,000 in donations, but the board had received over \$450,000. A portion of the money was used to renovate the existing building.

The computer section was to be upgraded, and the children's section was to be remodeled. Another goal of the library was to make it more handicap accessible.

The wing was 5,300 square foot wing was added to the east side of the building. It consisted of conference rooms, a study area and a book barn for children.

POPE VISITS ST. LOUIS

by Matthew Pearl

Pope John Paul II inspired many during his visit to St. Louis in January. The highlight of his trip to the United States was the profound effect the pontiff had on the nation's youth.

As his first order of business after arriving in St. Louis, the pope spoke to a screaming crowd of 22,000 teenagers. Speaking to the young people was one of his favorite aspects of his position, and the positive reaction he received in Missouri seemed to encourage the aging leader.

The pope took that opportunity to remind those in attendance of the importance of young people in today's church.

"Even though you are young, the time for action is now," the pope said.

Though many young Roman Catholics had differences of opinion with the pope's stand on certain moral issues, 85 percent of those between the ages of 18 and 29 approved of the pope's leadership of the church according to a poll featured in USA Today.

Perhaps the greatest stir the pope caused while visiting the Midwest was when he requested that Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan spare the life of a death row inmate whose execution had originally been scheduled for Jan. 26, the day of the pope's arrival. Carnahan complied, commuting the man's sentence to life in prison, which stirred a great deal of public opinion.

Ray Barrett, who was born and raised in a Catholic family, believed that the pope's interference in the execution should not



POPE JOHN PAUL II responds to the crowd during a youth rally at the Kiel Center in St. Louis. The pope made his fifth trip to the United States in January, for a 30-hour stay. He had just come from a visit to Mexico City. Photo by Associated Press

have happened.

"It was unfair," Barrett said. "If the man was supposed to die, he should have died on the scheduled day. The issue of separation of church and state should have come before that of capital punishment."

In spite of triggering a small controversy, the pope made a lasting impression on the 100,000 people who joined him for a special Mass on Jan. 27 at the Trans World Dome in St. Louis. In the large indoor gathering, his words moved many to tears and helped Catholic Americans nationwide to renew their faith in the church.

ANTHRAX SCARE IN MID-TOWN

by Jason Hoke

In midtown Kansas City, Mo., the Planned Parenthood clinic was faced with one of the biggest threats. On Monday, Feb. 22, a worker opened the weekend mail and found a stained letter with the words anthrax written on it.

Over 100 emergency workers and hazardous-material technicians responded to the anthrax scare. Fifteen women and five men, who were inside when the letter was opened, were stripped of their clothes,

washed with a cold soapy diluted bleach solution, wrapped in a yellow plastic sheet and loaded on a city bus to wait to be picked up by family.

Since October there had been over 20 anthrax threats at abortion clinics and other buildings nationwide. All of the threats had been false. The letters delivered in the anthrax hoaxes across the country had postmarks from Lexington, Ky., but the letter the Kansas City clinic received was from Louisville, Ky.

K.C. ROYAL LOSES BATTLE WITH CANCER

by Matthew Pearl

The death of Dan Quisenberry, former Kansas City Royals relief pitcher, showed that baseball still boasted men of integrity.

Quisenberry, 45, died on Sept. 30 of a brain tumor which doctors identified as being a Grade IV, the type that attacked with great aggression.

Beyond his ability as a Royals Hall of Fame relief pitcher, Quisenberry's gifts were present in his everyday life. He was always quick to tell people where baseball stood in his life.

"I always thought baseball was just a chapter, and a short chapter of my life," Quisenberry said.

For many, Quisenberry's life moved much like his famous sinning pitches: his path was true and straight, but when he fell at the end of his short life, his loving fans were there to swing a bat in salute of a man who truly was a credit to baseball and mankind.

CLEAVER LEAVES MAYORAL POSITION TO FOCUS ON FUTURE

by Eric Davis

As Kansas City, Mo., Mayor Manuel Cleaver concluded his annual State of the City address on Feb. 18, he challenged residents to uphold the city's proud tradition and continue to make strides to progress the community.

"Your mission, should you accept it, is to continue to hold Kansas City high because it is, indeed, the city on the hill," Cleaver said.

Throughout his eight-year tenure as mayor, Cleaver worked to improve Kansas City. He attracted such companies as Gateway 2000 and Harley Davidson to the city. Cleaver also worked to redevelop Union Station and the 18th and Vine Jazz District.

In his speech, Cleaver proposed actions to alleviate the

flooding problems that took 11 lives in October. He also brought attention to the city's mounting debts.

Cleaver said, although he will enjoy the chance to relax, he will miss the excitement of his civic duties as mayor. Even though Cleaver considered his job rewarding, he admitted he would miss his co-workers the most.

"My staff became my family," Cleaver said. "They knew my likes and dislikes, my habits and idiosyncrasies. I depended on them so much, I was going to have to go into treatment, maybe mayoral methadone."

Cleaver was leaving his position not only as a productive mayor of an ever-changing city but as a well-liked, respected and just civil servant.

POLICEMEN INJURED IN SHOOT-OUT IN HUNTSVILLE

by Wendy Broker

Five policemen were injured and three prison escapees were caught during a shoot-out in rural Huntsville, Mo., Feb. 25.

The shoot-out happened nearly 10 days after the two men, Roy Kenneth Sanford and Donnie Lee Fisher along with a third man escaped from a maximum security prison in Reidsville, Ga., in a food service van.

Police in Moberly, Mo., received a tip the men were holed up in a mobile home in Huntsville, a town of 1,600 located 125 miles east of Kansas City, Mo.

After arriving at the mobile home, police found the truck the men had stolen in Surrency, Ga., just after their escape. Officers fired 10 to 12 canisters of tear gas into the mobile home after receiving no answer from inside.

Nearly half an hour later the 25-minute-long shoot-out occurred, as shots were fired from inside by an escapee with a sawed-off shotgun. After the shoot-out, they surrendered.

Sanford was serving time for armed robbery, aggravated assault and kidnapping. Fisher, who was injured in the shoot-out, was serving eight years for kidnapping, theft and armed robbery.

Both Sanford and Fisher were charged with five counts of first-degree assault against a law enforcement official, six counts of armed criminal action and one count of first-degree burglary, following their capture.

BRETT MAKES IT INTO HALL OF FAME

by Laura Pearl

Plagued with a sense of anticipation, George Brett awaited word on his induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame. After days of waiting, Brett received the phone call from the Baseball Writers' Association changed his player status to that of an eternal star in the eyes of the nation.

That span of successful playing time, as well as his 21-year stay with the Kansas City Royals, placed him in a niche of

dedication and team spirit that was often lacking in later years.

During the span of three decades, a unique hero emerged. Brett excited fans as he broke records, made 13 All-Star game appearances, helped win the 1985 World Series and carved a niche in baseball history. His fame was ultimately recognized when he received the overwhelming support to join the distinguished and elite in the Baseball Hall of Fame.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS COACH RESIGNS AFTER 10 YEARS ON SIDELINES

by Becky Blocher

Football is important to Kansas City. There is a tremendous team spirit and support around the city for the Chiefs.

Schottenheimer, Chiefs coach for 10 years, resigned on Jan. 11. That announcement came two weeks after reassuring fans and players that he was returning for the following season.

"I had decided to take a break and take some time to relax," Marty Schottenheimer said.

The Chiefs never made it to the Super Bowl during Schottenheimer's reign. In 1998, they had their first losing season with Schottenheimer as their coach. Some said that Schottenheimer mentally resigned from the Chiefs at the beginning of the last season.

Gunther Cunningham, Chief's defensive coordinator, was appointed to succeed Schottenheimer and become the eighth head coach in the 40 years of the Chief's franchise. Cunningham signed a four-year contract with the Chiefs.

Schottenheimer brought something to Kansas City, something that excited and exhilarated fans, something that energized and encouraged the players, something that would never be forgotten.

DOWNPOUR FLOODS PART OF KANSAS CITY

by Brad Brentlinger

Weather disasters were a part of life that was sometimes frightening. That point was made true on Oct. 4, when the Kansas City area experienced massive amounts of rain.

By the end of the storms, 11 people had lost their lives, and many more had lost their homes and possessions. The flash flooding destroyed almost \$14 million of uninsured property.

The nation had a chance to witness it on a nationally televised football game as the Kansas City Chiefs attempted to play in the torrential downpour.

On Sunday, Oct. 4, it rained approximately 3.6 inches between kickoff at 7:20 p.m. and 9 p.m. Play was suspended for 54 minutes because of lightning. However, the game was completed, with the Chiefs winning 17-6 against the Seattle Seahawks.

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Walkout Day

Considered by some to be a holiday at

Northwest, Walkout Day had undergone many changes.

Through the 1950s, Walkout Day was enjoyed by freshmen, marking the end of "Frosh Hazing." That was the last day freshmen were required to wear beanies.

That changed in 1960. To protest the hazing, six freshmen kidnapped the Student Senate president and held him hostage overnight and the next day. The next year, the new Student Senate president ended "Frosh Hazing."

From 1971 to 1976, Walkout day was not celebrated, but in 1977, President B.D. Owens revived the tradition. Unlike the original holiday, students knew when the day would be. It would be marked on University calendars as the day before Homecoming.

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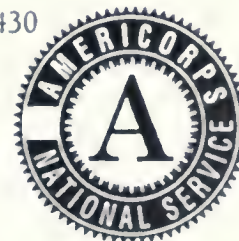
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Mary Linn

The Administration Building fire in 1979 destroyed the speech and theater facilities located there, giving Northwest the opportunity to build a new facility for the performing arts.

Money had run out by the time the shell was built and the inside was finished, but none of the necessary tools for the stage production had been purchased. Joe Linn, a member of the Board of Regents, from Princeton, Mo., donated enough money to the building to finish the construction. His wife, Mary Linn, had died one year before the construction of the building had begun. The only request of the man was that the building be named after her, Mary Linn.

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 "It would have been a memorial to the past as
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On July 24, 1979, an electrical malfunction occurred above the fourth floor in the Administration Building.

The malfunction initiated a fire, which was noticed at 8:14 p.m. The fire proceeded to destroy the west wing of the building, the KXCV and KDLX studios and offices and the Frank Deerwester Theatre. Maryville firefighters combated the blaze until an aerial truck from St. Joseph, Mo., was able to extinguish the blaze.

When the west wing was rebuilt, the theater and the KXCV and KDLX studios and offices were not rebuilt.



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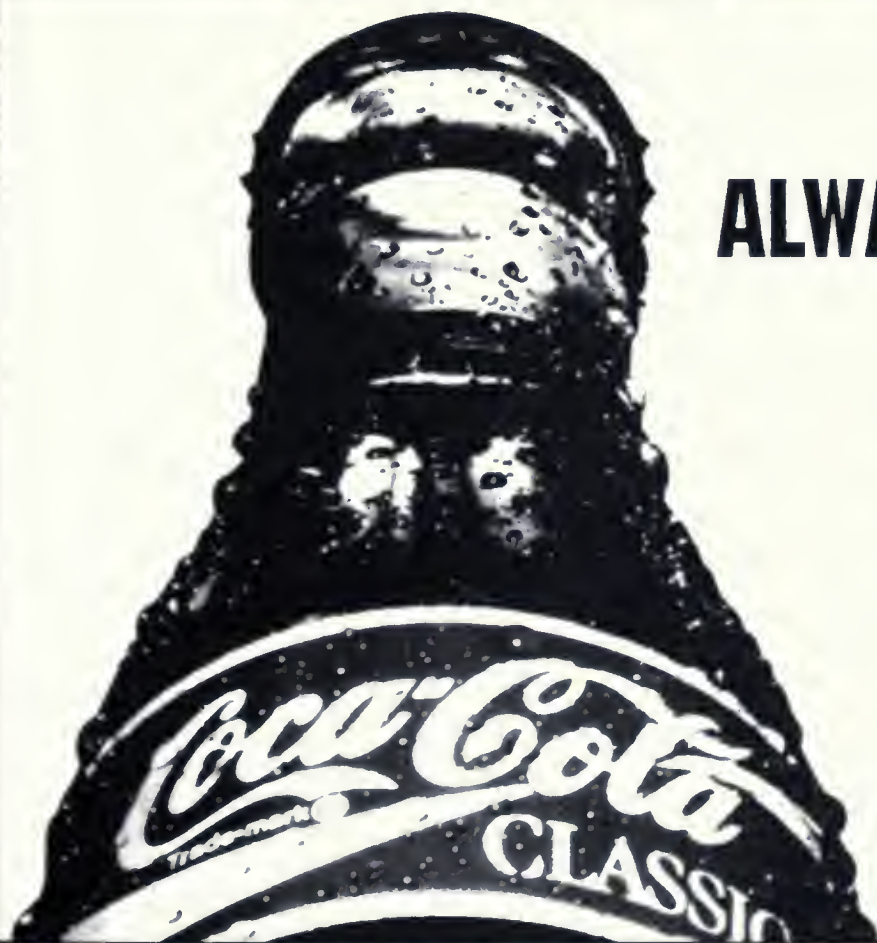
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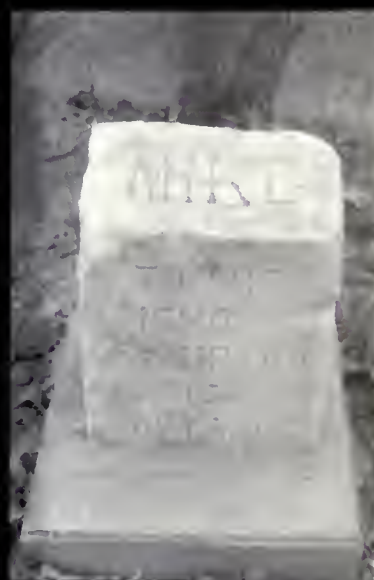
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Mike the Dog

Many years ago, when Northwest was still a teacher's college, a dog named Mike roamed the campus. He served as an unofficial mascot and was taken home each night by a different professor. On May 15, 1917, while Mike was roaming across campus, agriculture students were spraying a tree with fertilizer. Mike drank from the bucket of fertilizer and died. The headstone for his grave was located to the east of the Administration Building.



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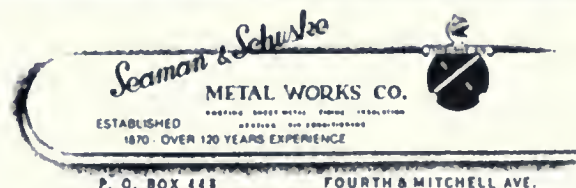
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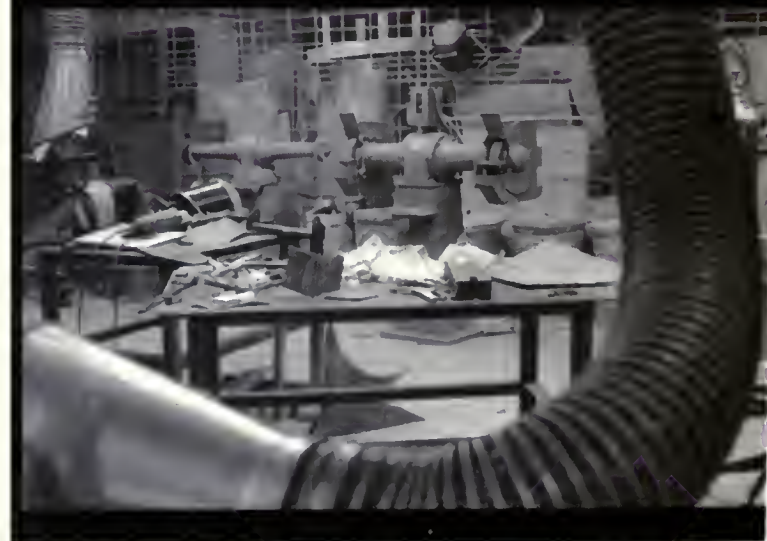


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COLOPHON

Northwest Missouri State University's 78th volume of *Tower* was printed by Herff Jones, 6015 Travis Lane, Shawnee Mission, Kan. The 352-page book had a press run of 2,550, on 80 lb Eumine paper and was electronically submitted to the Herff Jones plant. The cover was matte Navy 1010. The spine, "Perspective" and inside of the wall were top screened in Navy Blue #9. The "Tower" and "1999" on the cover were reversed out of the top screened wall to the base matte. The clocks on the cover were embossed, the wall was flat screened and the grain used was sand. Endsheets were gray fibertext parchment, and the instructions for the CD-ROM were printed on the back endsheet in black ink.

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Lisa Huse

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Nicole Fuller

what the words to "Pretty Fly For a White Guy" are, and never let us forget when you find out you were right.

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Jason Hoke

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Amy Roh



Sarah Phipps

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Jason Myers

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WANTED: Continuously happy chief photographer. Must be nice enough to let her neighbors borrow her can opener. Must keep fellow communists entertained with your dancing talents.



Valerie Mossman

Creative creatures

WANTED: Highly organized design

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Jammie Silvey

Kaori Nagai - WANTED: Shy design assistant who falls asleep at Editor's meetings. Must be so productive that you will always be asking the other editors for more work to do.

WANTED: A helpful adviser named Laura Widmer.

Must have the guts to steal a school bus and share your dog, Murphy with the entire basement.



Kaori Nagai

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AP all the way



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WANTED: Boy c r a z y McDonald's lovin' copy director who keeps constant tabs on her stapler. Must refer to all editors as "honey" and enjoy licking

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Emily Vaughn

WANTED: Copy assistant who is devoted to her sisters." Must count her pens every day and compare their colors.

WANTED: Associate editor who refuses to dress like a girl. Must be a vegetarian and be astounded by how many animals the other editors can eat at a time. Must give each editor a rock from Costa Rica to remind us of the summer you spent there.



Sara Ramsey



Eric Davis

WANTED: An editorial assistant who refuses to support franchises and is not afraid to try every item on the menu at Stuart's. Must be a Bob Dylan fan and keep local thrift shops in business.

Multi-talented



Laura Prichard

WANTED: Accident prone CD ROM editor who will take after Martha Stuart, Betty Crocker and Aunt Jemima as you cook gourmet meals for the Tower House. Must beat up boyfriend on a regular basis.

WANTED: occasional goatee wearing CD ROM associate editor. Must be a emcee at the variety show, be obsessed with satanic elves and force staff to attend cultural events like lectures and poetry readings. Must drive side of girlfriends car into an ATM pole.



Jon Baker

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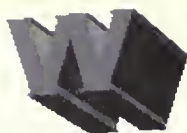
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Shane "Steve-O" Shillerberg

WANTED: A CD ROM audio director whose existence the other editors will doubt because the only time we will see you will be when you smoke with the other CD editors.

Leah Bryn

WANTED: A usually organized CD ROM video producer who will surprise us all by losing an important video tape and will later find it in her sofa.



With an evaluation of the year that looked back at how the University, community and society had changed, we were surprised at the amount of activities around.



It was exciting to see new businesses in Maryville, and along with the addition of **MOVIE GALLERY**, we learned a new four-plex movie theater

and a Super Wal-Mart would soon be built in Maryville. On the other hand, it was sad to watch small businesses such as John's Market and Peak Entertainment go out of business.

The University was also experimenting with new concepts and going through a series of firsts.

Advancements within the Center for Information Technology Education led to the development of several online courses.



The football team won its **FIRST NCAA DIVISION II NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**, the day after the **FIRST DECEMBER GRADUATION**. We honored the

Bearcat's victory in January with a weekend-long celebration.



Meanwhile, we were shocked in November as two University students and one former student were charged in connection with the

1997 Midway Shop and Hop robbery and murder.

AT THE SPECIAL graduation ceremony held for the Bearcat football players, Chris Griesen speaks to the crowd about the season. The Bearcats finished the season 15-0, winning the Division II National Championship in Alabama. A special graduation ceremony was held for the players and coaches that could not attend the first December graduation because of the football game. *Photo by Jason Myers*

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PERSPECTIVE



THE SHOP & HOP on U.S. Hwy 71 is where the murder of Gracie Hixson took place. Two Northwest students and one former student confessed that they were involved with the murders. They all faced charges of first degree murder and robbery. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AT THE 25TH anniversary luncheon for Faculty Senate, Dr. Maxwell looks at letters from people who were not able to attend. Two hundred and thirteen faculty had served on Faculty Senate since it started in 1974. *Photo by Amy Roh*



CONSTRUCTION ON THE new addition to the J. W. Jones Union was in full swing during the 1998-99 school year. A new dining area and food service areas were to be constructed with a outdoor dining patio above. *Photo by Amy Roh*



AFTER THE REFEREE makes a controversial call, Jason Bass holds teammate Cliff Hughs back. The Bearcats were playing Graceland College at Bearcat Arena and went on to win the game. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*



MEMBERS OF SIGMA
Sigma Sigma join hands while singing their sorority song. The Tri Sigmas sponsored the Speak Out for Stephaine Walk to help promote safety on college campuses. *Photo by Sarah Phipps*

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It was difficult for us to understand how students we shared our small campus with could have been involved in murder investigations.

The year brought additions to campus, including Candy, a trained drug dog, who began assisting Campus Safety in February.

The groundhog welcomed an early spring and beautiful weather in between periods of heavy snowfall, which allowed construction crews to make progress on South Complex, the J.W. Jones Union and the Tau Kappa Epsilon and SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY HOUSES.

We found out the Alumni House and Rickenbrode stadium would be the next campus locations to renovate. PROPOSED RENOVATIONS to Rickenbrode included a rod-iron fence to

replace the chain-link fence, new ticketing booths with computerized systems and renovated entrances to handle large crowds.

Advancement came with a price. The Board of Regents raised tuition by 9 percent for the 1999-2000 school year.

The changing world events affected us as well. President Clinton was acquitted on impeachment charges, and we were relieved the yearlong episode had come to a close.

Looking at the foreground, background and everything in between reminded us that, with changes to campus, Maryville and the world, our perspective changed as everyday life impacted us.





DURING HALFTIME OF the women's basketball game on Jan. 30, the Bearcat football team was honored for their 15-0 season. Chris Greisen shows off the sign dedicated to head coach Mel Tjeerdsma. The Bearcats were the first team in Division I history to go unbeaten and win the national title. *Photo by Valerie Mossman*





1999 TOWER CD



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- 2X CD ROM drive

RECOMMENDED:

- 16 MEG RAM
- 4X CD ROM drive

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5. Sit back and enjoy

WINDOWS 95

QuickTime for Windows must be installed to enable the video packages to play. QuickTime should be located in the "Windows" folder of your hard drive. If your computer does not come with QuickTime you can download the most recent version from Netscape at: <http://quicktime.apple.com/qt/sw/sw.html>.

To ensure accurate colors go to START. Under the "settings" file choose CONTROL PANEL. Then choose DISPLAY and click on the settings tab. Under color palette choose TRUE COLOR (24 bit).

SYSTEM

REQUIREMENTS:

- (640 x 480) color display
- 16-bit MPC soundcard

MINIMUM

RECOMMENDED:

- 486DX2 66Mhz CPU
- 8 MEG RAM
- 2X CD ROM drive

RECOMMENDED:

- Pentium CPU
- 16 MEG RAM
- 4X CD ROM drive

TO VIEW THE CD:

1. Close all programs
2. Insert the CD into your CD ROM drive
3. Go to "My Computer" and open drive "D"
4. Locate and click on projector file named "WinTower"
5. Sit back and enjoy

